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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the One Hundred Twelfth General Assembly

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SUBJECT: Compilation of Abstracts and Selected Summaries of 2021 Legislation

Attached for your information and use are abstracts of the 2021 Public Chapters. This abstract document is available on the Legislative Intranet under "Legal Services" "Documents and Reports" "Abstracts" "2021" and on the General Assembly's website under "Legislation" "Publications."

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ABSTRACTS OF PUBLIC CHAPTERS PASSED BY THE 112th GENERAL ASSEMBLY DURING THE FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF 2021

- Education As enacted, enacts the "Tennessee Learning Loss Remediation and Student Acceleration Act"; requires local education agencies and public charter schools to implement a program of after-school learning mini-camps, learning loss bridge camps, and summer learning camps to remediate student learning loss. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6. (HB4/SB2)
- Education As enacted, excludes data generated by state assessments administered in the 2020-2021 school year, and data generated by alternative growth models used by LEAs in the 2020-2021 school year to evaluate teachers in non-tested grades and subjects, from certain accountability determinations; revises certain tenure eligibility requirements to account for the unavailability of data due to the cancellation of TCAP tests as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 2; Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 3; Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 6; Title 49, Chapter 5, Part 5 and Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 1. (SB1/HB3)
- Education As enacted, enacts the "Tennessee Literacy Success Act"; requires LEAs to provide foundational literacy skills instruction, provide reading interventions and supports, and administer universal reading screeners to students in kindergarten through grade three to improve reading proficiency. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 1; Title 49, Chapter 5 and Title 49, Chapter 6. (SB3/HB2)
- 4 Appropriations As enacted, makes appropriations sufficient to provide the first year's funding for any act which receives final passage during the first extraordinary session of the 112th General Assembly. (SB9/HB20)

ABSTRACTS OF PUBLIC CHAPTERS PASSED BY THE 112th GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN 2021

- Lottery, Charitable As enacted, authorizes an organization that is authorized to hold an annual event from the period January 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021, to hold the event no later than 60 calendar days after the event date listed in the annual event application, or June 30, 2021, whichever date is earlier. Amends TCA Title 3, Chapter 17. (SB4/HB132)
- 2 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the beef promotion board to June 30, 2029. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 43, Chapter 29. (SB33/HB259)
- 3 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of chiropractic examiners to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 4. (SB34/HB260)
- 4 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of communication disorders and sciences to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 17. (SB35/HB261)
- 5 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of dentistry to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 5. (SB36/HB262)
- 6 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of dispensing opticians to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 14. (SB37/HB263)
- 7 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of medical examiners' committee on physician assistants to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 19. (SB39/HB265)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of optometry to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 8. (SB41/HB268)
- 9 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of podiatric medical examiners to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 3. (SB42/HB269)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of veterinary medical examiners to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 12. (SB43/HB270)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the delta human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. (SB47/HB273)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the department of mental health and substance abuse services to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 33. (SB51/HB276)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the East Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. (SB52/HB277)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, terminates the egg promotion board with no wind down period. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 43, Chapter 29. (SB54/HB279)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the First Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. (SB56/HB281)

- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the James K. Polk memorial association to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 13, Part 2 and Title 4, Chapter 29. (SB57/HB282)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Mid-Cumberland human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. (SB58/HB283)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Northwest Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. (SB60/HB285)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Ocoee River recreation and economic development fund board to June 30, 2028. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 11, Chapter 8. (SB62/HB287)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the pork promotion board to June 30, 2029. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 43, Chapter 29. (SB63/HB288)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the private probation services council to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 16, Chapter 3, Part 9. (SB64/HB253)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the South Central Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. (SB67/HB266)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Southeast Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. (SB68/HB289)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Southeastern Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 11, Chapter 4. (SB69/HB290)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Southwest Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. (SB70/HB291)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the state Alzheimer's disease and related dementia advisory council to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 71, Chapter 2. (SB71/HB292)
- 27 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the state board of examiners for land surveyors to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 62, Chapter 18. (SB73/HB294)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the state forestry commission to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 11, Chapter 4. (SB74/HB295)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the statewide planning and policy council for the department of mental health and substance abuse services to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 33, Chapter 1, Part 4. (SB78/HB318)
- 30 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee advisory commission on intergovernmental relations to June 30, 2029. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 10 and Title 4, Chapter 29. (SB79/HB299)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee aeronautics commission to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 42, Chapter 2, Part 3. (SB80/HB300)

- 32 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee athletic commission to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 68, Chapter 115. (SB81/HB301)
- 33 Statutes and Codification As enacted, codifies the Acts of the 2020 regular and extraordinary sessions. (SB108/HB118)
- Education, Dept. of As enacted, requires the department to survey all LEAs, public charter schools, and state special schools to determine whether there is a sufficient number of licensed speech-language pathologists in the public schools of this state to meet student needs and report the results of the survey to the education committees of the senate and house of representatives by January 15, 2022. Amends TCA Title 49; Title 56 and Title 63. (SB233/HB23)
- Holidays and Days of Special Observance As enacted, designates June 12 as "Women's Veterans Day," a day of special observance. Amends TCA Title 15, Chapter 2. (SB390/HB504)
- Public Property As enacted, authorizes the use of interest and principal deposited into certain special trust funds, which hold proceeds from the sale of certain public property, for capital maintenance of property controlled by the department of intellectual and developmental disabilities and other related purposes. Amends TCA Section 12-2-117. (SB744/HB75)
- 37 State Government As enacted, prohibits state entities subject to review under the Tennessee Governmental Entity Review Law from promulgating rules or adopting policies to exempt members of such entities from rulemaking or policy requirements solely by virtue of their status as members. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29, Part 1. (SB1123/HB1055)
- Parks, Natural Areas Preservation As enacted, renames the Cumberland Trail State Park the "Justin P. Wilson Cumberland Trail State Park." Amends TCA Title 11. (SB1583/HB1054)
- Planning, Public As enacted, allows an owner or agent of the owner of real property to, prior to closing on the property, agree or negotiate to sell the property by reference to a subdivision plat before the final subdivision plat is approved by the planning commission. Amends TCA Title 13, Chapter 3; Title 13, Chapter 4 and Title 66. (HB407/SB682)
- Local Education Agencies As enacted, requires that a student's gender for purposes of participation in a public middle school or high school interscholastic athletic activity or event be determined by the student's sex at the time of the student's birth, as indicated on the student's original birth certificate.

 Amends TCA Title 49. (SB228/HB3) [See Appendix "A"]
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the advisory council on workers' compensation to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 50, Chapter 6. (SB30/HB256)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the department of economic and community development to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 3. (SB49/HB274)
- 43 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the department of financial institutions to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 3. (SB50/HB275)
- 44 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee bureau of investigation to June 30, 2025. Amends

- TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 38, Chapter 6. (SB83/HB303)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee council for career and technical education to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 11. (SB84/HB304)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee council on autism spectrum disorder to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 27. (SB85/HB305)
- 47 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee dairy promotion committee to June 30, 2029. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 44, Chapter 19. (SB86/HB306)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee financial literacy commission to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 17. (SB87/HB307)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee public charter school commission to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 13. (SB88/HB308)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee public utility commission to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 65, Chapter 1. (SB89/HB309)
- 51 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee soybean promotion board to June 30, 2029. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 43, Chapter 20. (SB90/HB310)
- 52 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee technology development corporation to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 14, Part 3 and Title 4, Chapter 29. (SB93/HB313)
- 53 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee wine and grape board to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 57, Chapter 3, Part 11. (SB94/HB314)
- 54 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Upper Cumberland human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. (SB96/HB316)
- Motor Vehicles, Titling and Registration As enacted, enacts the "2021 Precious Cargo Act," which establishes procedures for certain citizens with intellectual or developmental disability or medical condition to communicate specific needs to law enforcement and first responders. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 21 and Title 55, Chapter 4. (SB110/HB40)
- Motor Vehicles As enacted, clarifies that a motorized wheelchair is not a motor vehicle for purposes of the rules of the road, accidents, and crimes involving motor vehicles. Amends TCA Title 55. (SB154/HB101)
- Education As enacted, requires that the instruction provided to a student who is identified for intervention through the response to instruction and intervention (RTI²) framework be determined by the student's local education agency based on the individual student's needs. Amends TCA Title 49. (SB235/HB5)
- Naming and Designating As enacted, recognizes the Algonquian, the Chickamaugan, the Iroquoian, the Muskogean, the Siouan, and the Yuchean cultural groups as Tennessee's first peoples. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 3 and Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 4. (SB243/HB355)

- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, removes residency requirements for a person applying for a retail liquor license. Amends TCA Section 57-3-204. (SB293/HB377)
- Orders of Protection As enacted, permits service of ex parte orders of protection for up to one year from issuance; creates a lifetime order of protection that can be issued to a victim of certain felony offenses to prohibit the offender from coming about or communicating with the victim. Amends TCA Title 16, Chapter 15, Part 9; Title 36 and Title 39, Chapter 13. (S621/HB434)
- Motor Vehicles As enacted, changes the annual application for a certificate of authority by an automobile club or association to a one-time application prior to commencement of operations; provides licenses issued must be renewed annually and include updated documents and information.

 Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 18. (SB724/HB64)
- Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services, Dept. of As enacted, requires the chief officer of a facility to notify certain persons within a certain time after the death of a person admitted to the facility; requires the department to strive to ensure at least a majority of the members of each regional citizen-based planning and policy council are former service recipients or family members of service recipients; makes other changes relative to mental health and substance abuse services. Amends TCA Section 33-2-203; Section 33-2-901; Section 33-4-109 and Section 63-1-155. (SB753/HB81)
- Veterans Services, Dept. of As enacted, removes requirement that department veteran service officers be combat veterans. Amends TCA Title 58, Chapter 3. (SB763/HB769)
- General Assembly As enacted, updates references to house of representative committee names. (SB785/HB1052)
- Gambling As enacted, authorizes the ownership, possession, purchase, and sale of antique gambling machines; prohibits operation by members of the public of any such machine that is on public display. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 11 and Title 39, Chapter 17. (SB1258/HB52)
- Business and Commerce As enacted, authorizes the sale or purchase of previously titled antique or unique motor vehicles without a motor vehicle dealer license through auction formats that meet certain criteria. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 17 and Title 62, Chapter 19. (SB1350/HB947)
- Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies As enacted, clarifies that, except when dealing with an assignment of benefits to a healthcare provider, the rights, duties, or benefits provided by a policy of insurance may be assigned only as expressly provided by the terms of the policy of insurance or as otherwise expressly allowed by the insurer. Amends TCA Section 56-7-102. (SB1376/HB523)
- Holidays and Days of Special Observance As enacted, designates the month of April as "Barber, Beauty, and Health Month." Amends TCA Title 15, Chapter 2. (SB1419/HB827)
- Taxes, Tobacco, Tobacco Products As enacted, exempts smokeless nicotine products from the tax on tobacco products and cigarettes. Amends TCA Section 67-4-1001 and Section 67-4-1005. (SB143/HB515)
- 70 Taxes, Exemption and Credits As enacted, creates a sales and use tax exemption and a credit for

qualified payroll expenses against an applicant's combined franchise and excise tax liability for qualified film or television productions if the commissioners of revenue and economic and community development determine that the exemption and credit is in the best interests of the state. - Amends TCA Section 67-4-2109 and Title 67, Chapter 6, Part 3. (HB141/SB736)

- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of examiners in psychology to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 11. (HB264/SB38)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, updates the name, from committee for purchase from the blind and other severely disabled to committee for providing competitive integrated employment for individuals with severe disabilities; extends the committee to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 71, Chapter 4. (HB272/SB45)
- 73 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the emergency communications board to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 7, Chapter 86. (HB280/SB55)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the occupational safety and health review commission to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 50, Chapter 3. (HB286/SB61)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee State University, board of trustees to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. (HB311/SB91)
- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, authorizes a person or entity holding a retail package store license, liquor-by-the-drink license, or retail food store wine license to sell or transfer the person's or entity's inventory of alcoholic beverages or wine, as applicable, upon the sale or closure of the establishment to another licensee if certain requirements are met. Amends TCA Title 57, Chapter 3, Part 2; Title 57, Chapter 3, Part 8 and Title 57, Chapter 4, Part 1. (HB557/SB591)
- Teachers, Principals and School Personnel As enacted, enacts the "Teacher's Discipline Act," which establishes requirements and procedures for teachers to discipline students in the teachers' classrooms, including relocation of a student. Amends TCA Title 49. (HB16/SB230)
- 78 Banks and Financial Institutions As enacted, changes, from six months to 12 months, the permitted holding period by a bank for non-real-property acquired in satisfaction of a loan. Amends TCA Title 45. (HB58/SB175)
- Public Funds and Financing As enacted, increases from 20 to 30 years the amount of time within which loans from the drinking water revolving loan fund must be amortized; increases from 30 to 40 years the time within which such loans must be amortized when made to disadvantaged communities. Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 221, Part 12. (HB91/SB740)
- Real Property As enacted, prohibits a homeowners' association from prohibiting the use of a sign posted to warn the public of health, safety, or dangerous natural conditions associated with water on the property in certain circumstances; clarifies date of application of prohibition on HOA prohibiting property owners from displaying flags. Amends TCA Title 66, Chapter 27. (HB128/SB450)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the regional transportation authority of Middle Tennessee to June 30, 2024. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 64, Chapter 8. (HB254/SB65)

- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the alcoholic beverage commission to June 30, 2027; requires the commission to report back to the government operations subcommittee by December 31, 2021 for an update of the findings on the 2020 performance audit. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 57, Chapter 1. (HB257/SB31)
- Criminal Offenses As enacted, enacts the "2020 Defense Doctrine," which adds imminent danger of grave sexual abuse as a justification for the use of deadly force in self-defense and to defenses of duress and use of deadly force by law enforcement officer; defines grave sexual abuse as rape, aggravated rape, rape of a child, or aggravated rape of a child. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. (HB50/SB189)
- Guardians and Conservators As enacted, requires that petitions for appointment of a conservator include results of searches of the proposed conservator in the department of health's registry of persons who have abused, neglected, or misappropriated the property of vulnerable persons and the national sex offender registry. Amends TCA Title 34. (HB100/SB167)
- Corporations, For Profit As enacted, requires corporations to implement certain measures and maintain certain records when allowing shareholder meetings to be conducted by remote means. Amends TCA Title 48. (HB106/SB181)
- Taxes, Sales As enacted, excludes from the definition of "tangible personal property" for sales and use tax purposes certain mains, pipes, pipelines, and tanks and certain railroads, railroad structures, substructures, tracks and the metal thereon, branches, switches, and other improvements thereon; deems all as realty upon installation for purposes of sales tax laws. Amends TCA Title 67. (HB131/SB215)
- 87 Consumer Protection As enacted, creates a private right of action for owners, assignees, agents, or licensees of commercial recordings or audiovisual works electronically disseminated in violation of the True Origin of Goods Act; clarifies that no criminal penalty is incurred with a violation of the Act. Amends TCA Title 47. (HB207/SB117)
- Workers Compensation As enacted, transfers administration of construction service provider registration from the secretary of state to the bureau of workers' compensation. Amends TCA Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 4 and Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 9. (HB386/SB1268)
- Holidays and Days of Special Observance As enacted, designates June 19 of each year as "Juneteenth," a day of special observance. Amends TCA Title 15. (HB394/SB201) [See Appendix "G"]
- Workers Compensation As enacted, removes liability of a general contractor, intermediate contractor, or subcontractor for workers' compensation to a construction services provider for injuries occurring during the time period of December 9, 2019, through September 9, 2021, if certain conditions are met. Amends TCA Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 9. (HB395/SB629)
- Banks and Financial Institutions As enacted, increases existing fees, and adds additional fees, that an industrial loan and thrift company, industrial investment company, or industrial bank may charge to service various loans. Amends TCA Title 45, Chapter 5. (HB421/SB344)
- **92** Education, Higher As enacted, extends and expands provisions regarding the process of selecting

- persons to fill certain positions at a public institution of higher education in this state. Amends TCA Section 49-7-154. (HB473/SB365)
- 93 Election Laws As enacted, expands the right of a person to place political campaign signs on their property for a certain time to all elections rather than only general elections as provided under the Tennessee Freedom of Speech Act. Amends TCA Section 2-7-143. (HB500/SB208)
- Real Estate Agents and Brokers As enacted, authorizes direct payments to be made to a business entity solely owned by a broker, affiliate broker, or other licensee licensed by the real estate commission formed for the purpose of receiving compensation for the broker, affiliate broker, or other licensee. Amends TCA Title 48; Title 62 and Title 66. (HB605/SB569)
- Holidays and Days of Special Observance As enacted, designates the month of June as "African-American Music Appreciation Month." Amends TCA Title 15, Chapter 2. (HB826/SB714)
- Education As enacted, specifies that local boards of education and governing bodies of public charter schools, as applicable, have the sole authority to open or close schools during a public health emergency; authorizes the board or governing body to delegate that authority to the director of schools or school administrator, as applicable. Amends TCA Title 49; Title 58 and Title 68. (SB103/HB225)
- Motor Vehicles, Titling and Registration As enacted, converts special purpose boat dealer plates to boat transport plates; authorizes persons or businesses that transport boats for hire to be issued special purpose boat transport plates in addition to manufacturers and dealers of boats. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2. (SB165/HB107)
- Public Funds and Financing As enacted, authorizes an incentive program established by the board of claims to include policies and procedures for the effective and efficient administration of claims; authorizes those policies and procedures to establish the timeframe and content for the agency response relative to claims and the imposition of fines and penalties for noncompliance. Amends TCA Section 9-8-108. (SB372/HB796)
- Sewage As enacted, authorizes loans from the wastewater facility revolving loan fund for privately owned for-profit community wastewater treatment systems that are subject to state regulation and meet certain financial qualifications; expands the definition of local government under the Wastewater Facilities Act of 1987 to include a privately owned community wastewater treatment system subject to regulation by the Tennessee public utility commission, whether for-profit or not-for-profit. Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 221, Part 10. (SB428/HB586)
- Landlord and Tenant As enacted, authorizes property managers to testify against tenants in the same manner as landlords or owners of rental property. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 16; Title 29 and Title 66. (SB459/HB177)
- Adoption As enacted, removes the adoption contact veto registry and revises other provisions governing adoption. Amends TCA Title 36, Chapter 1 and Section 68-3-313. (SB723/HB62)
- Estates As enacted, sets time limits on the filing of claims by the bureau of TennCare against TennCare recipients' estates. Amends TCA Section 30-2-310. (SB761/HB93)

- Motor Vehicles As enacted, expands the definitions of Class I off-highway vehicles and all-terrain vehicles to include those off-highway vehicles with a total dry weight up to 3,500 pounds; clarifies that the width of such vehicles must be measured from the outside of the tire rim to the outside of the tire rim. Amends TCA Title 11; Title 47 and Title 55. (SB1046/HB402)
- Juvenile Offenders As enacted, revises the sentence for aggravated rape of a child when committed by a juvenile, as required by the U.S. Supreme Court in Miller v. Alabama, from mandatory life imprisonment without parole to a Class A felony to be sentenced within Range III; applies to sentences imposed on or after July 1, 2021; specifies that a person who was a juvenile at the time of committing the offense of aggravated rape of a child must serve 100 percent of the sentence imposed less sentence credits earned and retained, not to reduce the sentence imposed by more than 15 percent. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. (SB1117/HB428)
- Juvenile Offenders As enacted, permits a child to be detained in a secure facility when there is probable cause to believe the child has committed certain offenses involving burglary, robbery, or theft of a motor vehicle; removes restrictions on the juvenile court's authority to order detention for a child who has committed a delinquent act. Amends TCA Title 37. (SB1286/HB478)
- Public Health As enacted, prohibits a county board of health or county department of health from prohibiting or regulating agriculture except as otherwise authorized by law. Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 2, Part 6. (SB1368/HB1163)
- 107 Children As enacted, enacts "Evelyn Boswell's Law," regarding the reporting of missing and endangered children. Amends TCA Title 37; Title 38 and Title 39. (SB327/HB384)
- Firearms and Ammunition As enacted, creates an exception to the offense of unlawful carrying of a firearm, if a person meets age requirements, lawfully possesses the handgun, and is in a place that the person is lawfully present; revises other firearm statutes. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 1; Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13 and Title 40, Chapter 35. (SB765/HB786) [See Appendix "B"]
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the second look commission to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 37, Chapter 3, Part 8. (SB66/HB255)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the state TennCare pharmacy advisory committee to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 24. (SB75/HB296)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of judicial conduct to June 30, 2025; requires the board to appear before the government operations joint evaluation committee on judiciary and government no later than December 31, 2021, to provide the committee an update on board-related activities. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 17, Chapter 5. (SB82/HB302)
- Driver Licenses As enacted, disqualifies for life persons convicted of a human trafficking offense from obtaining a commercial driver license; requires lifetime suspension of commercial driver license for persons convicted of a human trafficking offense. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 3 and Title 55, Chapter 50. (SB115/HB116)
- Taxes, Exemption and Credits As enacted, exempts from state and local taxation, all contributions or distributions made to, or on behalf of, participating students pursuant to any individualized education account (IEA). Amends TCA Title 4; Title 49, Chapter 10, Part 14 and Title 67.

(SB127/HB1271)

- Health, Dept. of As enacted, requires the department, in collaboration with other public and private healthcare agencies, to incorporate information about Alzheimer's disease and other dementias into its existing public health programs and services. Amends TCA Title 63 and Title 68. (SB133/HB828)
- Criminal Offenses As enacted, replaces the required element for self-defense that the person "not be engaged in unlawful activity" with the required element that the person "not be engaged in conduct that would constitute a felony or Class A misdemeanor"; declares, for purposes of determining if a person has a duty to retreat before threatening or using force in self-defense, that a person is not considered to be engaged in conduct that would constitute a felony or Class A misdemeanor or in a place where the person does not have a right to be if the person is engaged in the activity or in a place due to the person's status as a victim of human trafficking. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 11, Part 6. (SB188/HB17)
- Local Education Agencies As enacted, requires, subject to certain exceptions, a public school to credit a student who participates in an activity or program sponsored by 4-H as present for attendance purposes. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 30. (SB203/HB332)
- Barbers and/or Cosmetologists As enacted, requires applicants for a technician certificate of registration, master barber certificate of registration, barber instructor certificate of registration, cosmetologist license, manicuring license, cosmetology instructor license, aesthetician license, or natural hair styling license to obtain up to one hour of online or in-person training by a nonprofit on domestic violence. Amends TCA Title 62, Chapter 3 and Title 62, Chapter 4. (SB216/HB120)
- State Symbols As enacted, designates the poem "My Beloved Tennessee" by Marlene Tidwell as an official state poem. Amends TCA Section 4-1-303. (SB254/HB541)
- Marriage As enacted, adds former members of the general assembly who filed notice with the office of vital records while serving in the general assembly to the list of persons authorized to solemnize marriages. Amends TCA Section 36-3-301. (SB309/HB403)
- Education, Higher As enacted, declares an act of the general assembly enacted after January 1, 2021, that mandates a discount or waiver of the tuition or fees charged at public institutions of higher education unenforceable against an institution affected by the act unless the general assembly annually appropriates a sum sufficient to fully fund the discount or waiver program at the institution; requires each public institution of higher education to report certain information concerning discount and waiver programs. Amends TCA Title 8 and Title 49. (SB322/HB378)
- Utilities, Utility Districts As enacted, replaces one county elected commissioner position on the board of commissioners for the Citizens Gas Utility District of Scott and Morgan counties with an atlarge commissioner position, with such change to coincide with the district's August 2025 election. Amends Chapter 225 of the Public Acts of 1959. (SB333/HB408)
- TennCare As enacted, extends the expiration date for the ground ambulance provider assessment from June 30, 2021, to June 30, 2022; requires, if the quarterly transport data is not adequate or available for the calculation of medicaid ambulance provider assessments, that the bureau of TennCare use total transports submitted to the office of emergency medical services for calendar year 2020, instead of using such data for calendar year 2019. Amends TCA Title 5; Title 7; Title 56; Title 68 and Title 71. (SB345/HB461)

- Motor Vehicles As enacted, authorizes off-highway vehicle operation on certain segments of Mill Creek Road, Dyna Tex Road, and Old Burrville Road, all within Sunbright, in Morgan County. Amends TCA Section 55-8-185. (SB349/HB431)
- Health Care As enacted, authorizes a home health service to provide care in accordance with orders recorded by an advanced practice registered nurse or physician assistant in addition to those recorded by a physician; authorizes electronic transmission of orders from an advanced practice registered nurse or physician assistant. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 63 and Title 68. (SB478/HB743)
- Education, State Board of As enacted, revises various provisions regarding initial educator licensure, advancement, and renewal, including requiring the state board, when issuing an educator license to an out-of-state educator, to issue a license that is equivalent to the license the educator possesses in another state. Amends TCA Title 49. (SB479/HB533)
- Water Authorities As enacted, increases from \$100 to \$300 the maximum per diem payment to a member of the board of commissioners of a water and wastewater treatment authority for attending a board meeting, not to exceed six board meetings per calendar year. Amends TCA Section 68-221-618. (SB495/HB398)
- 127 Comptroller, State As enacted, removes the filing requirement for municipal and utility district travel and expense reimbursement policies, and any amendments to the policies, and instead requires the policies and amendments be made available for review and audit by the comptroller or the comptroller's designee. Amends TCA Section 6-54-903 and Section 7-82-309. (SB537/HB655)
- Public Funds and Financing As enacted, requires that certain notes issued by governing bodies of municipalities related to public works projects be approved by the comptroller of the treasury or the comptroller's designee; makes other revisions to provisions governing bonds and notes issued by local governments. Amends TCA Title 7; Title 9 and Section 12-10-116. (SB539/HB657)
- Children's Services, Dept. of As enacted, requires that the community services agency board's annual plan of operation be approved and amended, as necessary, only by the commissioner of finance and administration rather than by the commissioner and the comptroller of the treasury. Amends TCA Title 37, Chapter 5, Part 3. (SB544/HB662)
- Therapists, Physical and Occupational As enacted, removes the one-year experience requirement for doctorate level physical therapists for purposes of the direct access practice exception; requires physical therapists without a doctorate to meet certain educational requirements for purposes of the direct access practice exception. Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 13. (SB584/HB1076)
- Insurance, Liability As enacted, authorizes human resource agencies to obtain insurance in lieu of surety bonds to ensure the lawful performance by agency officials and employees of their fiduciary duties and responsibilities. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 19 and Title 13, Chapter 26, Part 1. (SB599/HB1019)
- Holidays and Days of Special Observance As enacted, designates the first Friday in October of each year as "Tennessee Manufacturing Day" as a day of special observance. Amends TCA Title 15, Chapter 2. (SB617/HB1567)

- Guardians and Conservators As enacted, specifies, for purposes of the appointment of a conservator, the county of residence of a person incarcerated in a department of correction facility as the county in which the facility is located and the county of residence of a person involuntarily hospitalized in an institution of the department of mental health and substance abuse services as the county in which the institution is located. Amends TCA Title 33; Title 34, Chapter 3 and Title 71. (SB729/HB140)
- Education As enacted, makes various changes to the Special Education Behavioral Supports Act, including the use of isolation and physical holding restraints. Amends TCA Section 37-1-120 and Title 49, Chapter 10, Part 13. (SB738/HB770)
- Environment and Conservation, Department of As enacted, authorizes the commissioner to commission environmental investigative enforcement officers; specifies circumstances under which park rangers and other law enforcement officers within the department may operate outside parks and other specific areas. Amends TCA Section 11-1-101; Section 11-3-107; Section 59-8-404 and Section 59-8-308. (SB741/HB89)
- Controlled Substances As enacted, makes various revisions to the controlled substance monitoring database. Amends TCA Title 53, Chapter 10, Part 3. (SB748/HB80)
- Driver Licenses As enacted, requires that a Class H or hardship license issued to a minor holding a Class P license or instructional permit expires on the date the Class P license or instructional permit expires. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 50. (SB784/HB712)
- Real Property As enacted, enacts the "Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and Resilience Act." Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 5 and Title 68. (SB795/HB667)
- Taxes, Exemption and Credits As enacted, exempts from the sales and use tax online access to continuing education courses that meet regulatory requirements for licensed individuals and that are offered by organizations that have received a determination of exemption from the IRS as a charitable organization or business association. Amends TCA Title 67. (SB874/HB1191)
- 140 Victims' Rights As enacted, revises the coverage and application process of certain co-applicants to the home address confidentiality program established by the secretary of state. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 38, Part 6. (SB885/HB1128)
- Death As enacted, imposes requirements on the operation of alkaline hydrolysis facilities and the use of alkaline hydrolysis in this state. Amends TCA Title 62, Chapter 5. (SB931/HB334)
- 142 Workers Compensation As enacted, adds to those acquired infectious diseases for which an emergency rescue worker is given a presumption to have a disability suffered in the line of duty a virus or other communicable disease for which a pandemic has been declared by the World Health Organization or the federal centers for disease control and prevention, and for which the governor has declared a state of emergency. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 51. (SB995/HB553)
- Therapists, Physical and Occupational As enacted, makes certain changes to the practice of occupational therapy, including authorizing the practice of dry needling of the upper limb, authorizing the making of certain treatment diagnoses, and authorizing practice via telehealth; authorizes the practice of physical therapy via telehealth. Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 13.

(SB1072/HB1275)

- 144 Commerce and Insurance, Dept. of As enacted, requires the department to combine all moneys received and expenses incurred pursuant to the Tennessee Credit Services Businesses Act and the Uniform Debt-Management Services Act into a single fund for the purpose of administering the acts. Amends TCA Title 47, Chapter 18, Part 10 and Title 47, Chapter 18, Part 55. (SB1078/HB728)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, adds the Tennessee corn promotion board to the Tennessee governmental review and extends the board to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 43, Chapter 29. (SB1084/HB321)
- School Transportation As enacted, increases, from four years to six years, the maximum period of time that a contractual agreement between a director of schools and a school transportation employee and between a board of education and a person owning equipment for transportation services is authorized. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 21. (SB1116/HB497)
- Juvenile Offenders As enacted, expands the unruly act of illegal use of a communication device by a minor to include possessing or transmitting an image of sexual activity involving a minor. Amends TCA Title 37, Chapter 1, Part 1; Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 5 and Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 10. (SB1124/HB1006)
- Nurses, Nursing As enacted, requires the board for licensing health care facilities to promulgate emergency rules no later than July 1, 2021, to permit persons who qualified as temporary nurse aides on or after the beginning date of the national public health emergency declared January 31, 2020, to become certified as nursing assistants in this state and be placed on the nurse aide registry. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 49; Title 63 and Title 68. (SB1266/HB734)
- Pharmacy, Pharmacists As enacted, makes changes with regard to compounding pharmacies, including allowing out-of-state pharmacy practice sites to provide certain inspections, equivalent to what are currently required, if accepted by the Tennessee board of pharmacy and removing the requirement that pharmacies engaging in sterile compounding have to make certain quarterly reports to the board. Amends TCA Section 63-10-216. (SB1269/HB877)
- Health Care As enacted, grants certain liability protections to, and confidentiality privileges for records of, certain federally qualified health centers and quality improvement committees formed or retained by the federally qualified health centers. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 63 and Title 68. (SB1275/HB179)
- Real Property As enacted, requires a homeowners' association to provide, upon written request of a member, a record of certain information in a vote to amend a declaration that prohibits or effectively prohibits the use of residential property as a long-term rental property; creates a vested right in an owner to use single-family residential property as long-term rental property if certain conditions exist; requires business entity owners of residential property to notify a homeowners' association of certain information. Amends TCA Title 66, Chapter 27. (SB1381/HB1127)
- Workers Compensation As enacted, authorizes the court of workers' compensation claims to award additional attorneys' fees and costs incurred when an employer wrongfully denies a claim or wrongfully fails to timely initiate benefits to which the employee or dependent is entitled for injuries that occur between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Section 50-6-226. (SB1576/HB401)

- Health Care As enacted, redefines store-and-forward telemedicine services for purposes of establishment of provider-patient relationships and standards of practice. Amends TCA Section 63-1-155. (SB1589/HB552)
- Taxes, Excise As enacted, requires that certain amounts received from certain COVID-related relief be subtracted from net earnings and losses for excise tax purposes. Amends TCA Section 67-4-2006. (HB776/SB775)
- Business and Commerce As enacted, enacts the "Business Fairness Act," allowing businesses that comply with safety precautions and guidelines issued by the government or authorized agency during declared states of emergency to continue or resume business. Amends TCA Title 58, Chapter 2. (SB474/HB855)
- Pensions and Retirement Benefits As enacted, revises provisions governing a department, agency, or instrumentality of a participating political subdivision becoming a separate local government entity from the political subdivision. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 34; Title 8, Chapter 35; Title 8, Chapter 36 and Title 8, Chapter 37. (SB8/HB161)
- Consumer Protection As enacted, requires the department of health, in coordination with the department of education, to disseminate the information to students in public middle schools, junior high schools, and senior high schools in this state. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7; Title 8; Title 9; Title 39; Title 47; Title 49; Title 63 and Title 68. (SB20/HB789)
- Taxes, Excise As enacted, extends for an additional six years to June 30, 2028, the temporary tax on bottles of soft drinks and barrels of beer to fund programs for the prevention and collection of litter; makes other related revisions. Amends TCA Section 57-5-201 and Section 67-4-402. (SB26/HB53)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the state textbook and instructional materials quality commission to June 30, 2023; requires the commission to report back to the government operations committee no later than December 31, 2021, to update the committee on its progress in addressing the committee's concerns about the commission's answers to questions submitted to it by the division of audit. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 22. (SB76/HB297)
- Professions and Occupations As enacted, creates the professional art therapist advisory committee of the board of examiners in psychology to regulate the practice of art therapy. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29, Part 2 and Title 63. (SB101/HB183)
- Child Abuse As enacted, permits school child abuse coordinators, school teachers, school officials, and other school personnel to provide information relevant to suspected child abuse or child sexual abuse to the child's parents when required by federal law or regulation, the parent to whom the notification is made is not alleged to be the perpetrator or in any way complicit in the abuse or neglect, and the notification is done in conjunction with the department of children's services. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 16. (SB124/HB475)
- Children As enacted, authorizes a Parents' Day Out or similar program operated by a religious institution or organization to provide 12-hour per week child care services in whatever block of time desired. Amends TCA Title 49 and Title 71. (SB164/HB115)

- Adoption As enacted, requires the department of children's services to require a person receiving financial assistance for adoption from the department to provide verification from the adopted child's current medical or mental health professional provider or verification of full-time school enrollment from the school the child attends. Amends TCA Title 36 and Title 37. (SB270/HB389)
- Child Custody and Support As enacted, removes custody, visitation, or inheritance rights for a parent who has been convicted of aggravated statutory rape, statutory rape by an authority figure, or lesser included offenses of rape, from which crime the child was conceived. Amends TCA Title 36, Chapter 6. (SB274/HB326)
- Regional Authorities and Special Districts As enacted, expands the scope of the Chickasaw Basin Authority to include all counties located within the drainage area of the authority. Amends TCA Title 64, Chapter 1, Part 2. (SB276/HB517)
- Law Enforcement As enacted, expands the type of equipment for which law enforcement agencies may exchange confiscated weapons to include any equipment suitable for use for legitimate law enforcement purposes. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13. (SB277/HB153)
- Holidays and Days of Special Observance As enacted, designates September 14 of each year as "Star-Spangled Banner Day," a day of special observance. Amends TCA Title 15, Chapter 2. (SB316/HB1543)
- 168 Correction, Dept. of As enacted, requires that female inmates who are 50 through 74 years of age be offered a mammogram or other appropriate screening every two years; requires that female inmates who are 40 through 49 years of age be offered a physician consultation to inquire when a mammogram is needed; requires correctional institutions, which does not include city or county jails, to the best of their ability, to provide educational training on the importance of preventative health care to the inmates. Amends TCA Title 41. (SB334/HB843)
- Health, Dept. of As enacted, provides that out-of-state medical records evidencing the immunization of a dependent child of a military parent against each of the diseases designated by the commissioner of health as required for attendance at any school or child care facility in this state are sufficient without requiring the child's parent to present the child for medical evaluation in this state to obtain a certificate of immunization. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6. (SB386/HB454)
- Education As enacted, enacts the "SEM Advancement Act," which requires a local board of education or charter school governing body to develop and adopt a policy that establishes criteria for the enrollment of students in grades seven through 12 into available advanced English language arts, mathematics, and science courses. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 10. (SB414/HB973)
- Motor Vehicles As enacted, eliminates the condition that a first lienholder or the first lienholder's designee may only file an application for a motor vehicle temporary lien with the secretary of state when a manufacturer's statement of origin or an existing certificate of title on a motor vehicle is unavailable. Amends TCA Section 55-3-126. (SB473/HB867)
- Public Funds and Financing As enacted, authorizes a department, institution, office, or agency of the state to enter into an agreement with a third party to collect state funds on its behalf under which the third party is permitted to deduct its service fee from the funds collected prior to deposit when such agreement is approved in accordance with present law governing procurement; requires the chief procurement officer to file an annual report listing such approved contracts with the chairs of

- the finance, ways and means committees of the house and senate. Amends TCA Section 9-4-301. (HB76/SB743)
- 173 State Government As enacted, authorizes a state department or agency to update signage on state property indicating accessibility for persons with disabilities within existing resources. Amends TCA Title 12, Chapter 2, Part 1. (HB99/SB245)
- Motor Vehicles As enacted, clarifies that the mounting or placement of a trailer hitch ball in front of a registration plate will not be considered when making a determination whether the registration plate is clearly visible. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 4. (HB175/SB460)
- Capitol As enacted, requires the placement of a monument or statue honoring David Crockett on a pedestal above the entrance to Motlow Tunnel; prohibits the use of state funds for the relocation of any existing structures. Amends TCA Title 4. (HB220/SB1048) [See Appendix "G"]
- 176 Traffic Safety As enacted, clarifies that the existing requirement for drivers of motorcycles to wear a helmet applies to drivers of autocycles that are not fully enclosed. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 9, Part 3. (HB234/SB632)
- Professions and Occupations As enacted, requires persons working with certain electrical equipment to meet certain requirements; makes that electrical equipment subject to inspection by a state-certified electrical inspector; prohibits liability against certain electric systems arising from those persons working with that electrical equipment; requires that copies of the national standards be available for public viewing. Amends TCA Section 68-101-104. (HB252/SB407)
- Railroads As enacted, requires department of transportation to report, on or before November 1, 2021, and on or before November 1 of each year between 2022 2026, to the transportation committee of the house and the transportation and safety committee of the senate on the data collected on the following website, or any successor website, established by the federal railroad administration (FRA) for the public and law enforcement agencies to report blocked highway-rail grade crossings: www.fra.dot.gov/blockedcrossings. Amends TCA Title 54 and Title 65. (HB486/SB662)
- Health Care As enacted, authorizes unlicensed graduates and students of certain medical training programs to provide telehealth services as long as those graduates and students adhere to the same standards for the provision of telehealth services that licensed medical professionals must meet. Amends TCA Title 56; Title 63 and Title 68. (HB508/SB1265)
- Education As enacted, allows LEAs and private or church-related schools to use excess instructional time accumulated during the school year for serious outbreaks of illness affecting or endangering students or staff without requiring approval from the commissioner of education to do so. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 30. (HB587/SB596)
- Registers of Deeds As enacted, requires either a licensed attorney or the custodian of the original version of an electronic document, instead of the custodian of the electronic version, to certify the electronic document for registration by a county register. Amends TCA Title 66, Chapter 24, Part 1. (HB633/SB1263)
- **182** Landlord and Tenant As enacted, prohibits the governing body in a county in which the Uniform

Residential Landlord and Tenant Act applies from enacting or enforcing regulations in conflict with, or in addition to, the Act; changes the applicability of the Act so that a county that is not under the Act now will not come under the Act even if the county's population increases to be more than 75,000 in subsequent years. - Amends TCA Title 66, Chapter 28. (HB716/SB895)

- Tennessee Higher Education Commission As enacted, consolidates some of the commission's reports; changes various other conditions of the commission's reports and reports to the commission. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 4 and Title 49, Chapter 7. (HB763/SB701)
- Juvenile Offenders As enacted, requires the juvenile court clerk and the department of mental health and substance abuse services to report certain juvenile justice information to the administrative office of the courts each month; deletes certain reporting to the council of juvenile and family court judges. Amends TCA Title 37. (HB783/SB766)
- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, authorizes a delivery service licensee to charge a fee based on a percentage of the sales of the alcoholic beverages or beer being delivered; limits the fee to no more than 10 percent of the price of each alcoholic beverage or beer sold. Amends TCA Title 57. (HB866/SB269)
- TennCare As enacted, enacts "Terrence's Law," which requires the bureau to conduct an annual review of all medications and forms of treatment for sickle cell disease, and services for enrollees with a diagnosis of sickle cell disease that are eligible for coverage under the medical assistance program; requires the bureau to solicit and consider input from the public when conducting the annual review; requires annual report to the general assembly. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 53; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. (HB992/SB1430)
- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, clarifies "premises" for purposes of the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption in regard to establishments licensed for such sales in Clarksville within or adjacent to a certain specified area in downtown near the riverwalk; authorizes Clarksville to, by ordinance, reduce or prescribe the hours and days upon which alcoholic beverages, beer, and wine may be consumed in the specified area, within the limits of general law. Amends TCA Title 57. (HB1085/SB1022)
- Teachers, Principals and School Personnel As enacted, confers immunity from civil liability upon a teacher, principal, school employee, or school bus driver properly using reasonable force to correct or restrain a student or prevent bodily harm or death to another person. Amends TCA Title 39; Title 40 and Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 41. (HB1096/SB109)
- Workers Compensation As enacted, revises and rearranges certain provisions governing construction services providers, the penalties for noncompliance of insurance requirements, and the exemption from having workers' compensation insurance; revisions to be effective from July 1, 2021, until July 1, 2024. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 50, Chapter 6 and Title 56. (HB1285/SB1577)
- Child Custody and Support As enacted, expands the factors a court may consider in determining whether termination of parental rights is in the best interest of the child; clarifies that the court is not required to consider all factors and may consider relevant factors other than those listed. Amends TCA Title 36, Chapter 1. (SB205/HB200)
- 191 Insurance, Health, Accident As enacted, authorizes the use of HIPAA-compliant audio-only conversation when providing behavioral health provider-based telemedicine services if HIPAA-

compliant real-time, interactive audio, video telecommunications, or electronic technology, or store-and-forward telemedicine services are unavailable. - Amends TCA Title 56, Chapter 7. (SB429/HB620)

- Public Funds and Financing As enacted, requires each state agency to submit, on or before February 1 of each year, a report to members of the finance, ways and means committees summarizing amounts of federal block grants and purposes for which funds were expended, including any unexpended or returned portions. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 9, Chapter 4. (SB485/HB999)
- 193 Comptroller, State As enacted, makes certain changes to the types of procurement contracts that are subject to review and approval by the comptroller of the treasury; alters the timing of such review and approval. Amends TCA Section 4-56-108. (SB540/HB658)
- Comptroller, State As enacted, deletes references to the office of local government within the office of the comptroller of the treasury and clarifies that the comptroller performs the duties of the former office of local government. Amends TCA Title 2; Title 3; Title 4; Title 8 and Title 67. (SB541/HB659)
- Comptroller, State As enacted, deletes requirement that the comptroller of the treasury must conduct an annual audit of the Tennessee bureau of investigation regarding the bureau's receipt and use of the \$15 portion of the handgun carry permit application fee to be used exclusively for updating and maintaining the fingerprint criminal history database. Amends TCA Section 39-17-1351. (SB543/HB661)
- Public Funds and Financing As enacted, enacts the "Uniformity in Local Government Lease Financing Act of 2021." Amends TCA Title 9. (SB547/HB1462)
- Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation As enacted, requires certain state agencies to seek funding for the development of substance use disorder recovery programs for pregnant women and women with children; requires those agencies to annually report to the general assembly certain information about the recovery programs and funding. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 33; Title 37; Title 49; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. (SB574/HB626)
- 198 Contractors As enacted, exempts from the definition of "contractor" for purposes of the Contractors Licensing Act of 1994 persons who erect or install certain on-premises advertising signs and displays. Amends TCA Title 62. (SB577/HB704)
- Chiropractors As enacted, replaces one of the consumer member appointments to the board of chiropractic examiners with the appointment of a member who is a chiropractic X-ray technician or chiropractic therapy assistant certified in this state not less than two years. Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 4. (SB592/HB548)
- 200 County Government As enacted, provides each member of a board created pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act for the purpose of providing service to two or more counties with up to \$300 per month compensation, the exact amount of which will be determined by resolution of such board; authorizes the board to provide certain other benefits. Amends TCA Title 5, Chapter 16 and Title 12, Chapter 9. (SB614/HB205)
- **201** Public Records As enacted, requires that captured plate data from automatic license plate reader systems be treated as confidential and not be open for inspection by members of the public;

- schedules provision to expire July 1, 2026. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5. (SB699/HB809)
- 202 Agriculture, Dept. of As enacted, revises certain enforcement provisions of the Tennessee Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. Amends TCA Title 53, Chapter 1; Section 53-7-202 and Section 53-7-220. (SB718/HB61)
- Conservation As enacted, rewrites the Soil Conservation Districts Law to be the Soil and Water Conservation Districts Law; makes corresponding changes. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29; Section 5-9-106; Section 6-58-104; Title 43, Chapter 14; Title 43, Chapter 34; Title 64 and Title 69, Chapter 6. (SB719/HB764)
- Sexual Offenders As enacted, requires the sex offender treatment board to compile a list of approved sex offender evaluation providers and sex offender treatment providers who are authorized to provide required sex offender evaluations and treatment. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 7. (SB731/HB66)
- Textbooks As enacted, prohibits the state textbook and instructional materials quality commission, state board of education, and public schools from recommending, approving, or using textbooks and instructional materials and supplemental instructional materials created to align exclusively with the common core state standards or that are marketed or otherwise identified as common core textbooks or materials; provides for withholding of funds if teacher or principal intentionally violates prohibition on such textbooks and materials. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 22. (SB769/HB782) [See Appendix "C"]
- Local Education Agencies As enacted, requires each high school to designate an apprenticeship training program contact; requires the department of education to compile and publish a list of the apprenticeship program contacts. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 49; Title 62 and Title 67. (SB844/HB842)
- Tort Liability and Reform As enacted, specifies that a good faith donor of apparently usable feminine hygiene products to a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization for distribution to persons in need of the product is not subject to criminal or civil liability in the absence of gross negligence or intentional misconduct. Amends TCA Title 29, Chapter 28 and Title 53. (SB974/HB640)
- Water Pollution As enacted, authorizes the department of environment and conservation to take certain actions to ensure that in-lieu fee sponsors secure mitigation for permanent impacts to waters. Amends TCA Title 69, Chapter 3, Part 1. (SB1049/HB227)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee radiologic imaging and radiation therapy board of examiners to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 9. (SB1079/HB492)
- 210 Criminal Offenses As enacted, adds the offense of trafficking a person for a commercial sex act to the meaning of predatory offenses for purposes of sentencing a person as a child sexual predator. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 5. (SB1122/HB1180)
- Teachers, Principals and School Personnel As enacted, revises provisions governing temporary teaching permits. Amends TCA Section 49-5-106. (SB1133/HB528)
- 212 Local Government, General As enacted, designates ambulance service as an essential service,

directs all county governing bodies to make provisions to ensure that at least one licensed ambulance service is available within their county, authorizes municipal governing bodies to make provisions for ambulance service within the boundaries of a municipality, and authorizes the governing body of any county or city to adopt and enforce reasonable regulations to control the provision of private or nonprofit ambulance service. - Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 61 and Title 68. (SB1597/HB719)

- Motor Vehicles As enacted, establishes certain requirements for persons engaged in the business of buying or selling unattached catalytic converters as a single item; creates Class A, punishable by fine only, misdemeanor of possessing a used, detached catalytic converter that the person does not have authorization to possess. Amends TCA Title 38; Title 55 and Title 62. (SB1612/HB1155)
- Revenue, Dept. of As enacted, establishes taxpayer protections for taxpayers relying on guidance issued by the department. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 1. (HB38/SB1274)
- Sentencing As enacted, enacts the "Good Samaritan Sentencing Enhancement Act," which provides that a defendant convicted of first degree murder is eligible for the death penalty if the victim was rendering assistance to a person in need at the time of their death. Amends TCA Title 39. (HB47/SB226)
- Education, Higher As enacted, extends eligibility for tuition reimbursement provided to members of the Tennessee national guard under the STRONG Act of 2017 to include technical certificates and diplomas and certain graduate programs; extends, from June 30, 2021, to June 30, 2025, the date on which the act will be repealed. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 4, Part 10. (HB83/SB755)
- Taxes As enacted, tolls the statute of limitations for collection of taxes upon the imposition of a bankruptcy stay or upon the filing of a probate, receivership, or assignment for benefit of creditors proceeding; permits statute of limitations to begin running 30 days after the stay is lifted or the proceeding prohibiting collection ends. Amends TCA Section 67-1-1429. (HB84/SB756)
- Motor Vehicles, Titling and Registration As enacted, reduces the lower gross weight threshold for freight vehicles that are required to pay the registration tax of \$1,019 from 56,000 pounds to 55,000 pounds; removes authority for nonresidents to apply directly to department of revenue for off-highway vehicle permits; authorizes issuance of decals instead of new plates upon expiration of special purpose plates for manufacturers, dealers, transporters, and nonprofit organizations. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 4. (HB86/SB758)
- Safety, Dept. of As enacted, changes the formatting requirements for credentials issued by the department. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13; Title 55, Chapter 50, Part 3 and Title 55, Chapter 50, Part 4. (HB87/SB760)
- 220 Motor Vehicles As enacted, changes the criteria that a private entity must meet to conduct driver education courses and community education courses. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 10. (HB88/SB759)
- Utilities, Utility Districts As enacted, authorizes the department of transportation to notify by electronic transmission, owners of utility facilities that occupy rights-of-way of any highway on which construction related to the relocation of a utility facility is proposed. Amends TCA Section 54-5-853. (HB92/SB762)

- Professions and Occupations As enacted, allows members of the United States armed forces and honorably discharged veterans who receive certified occupational training as a member of the United States armed forces to receive equivalent credit toward certain occupational licenses relating to the training received. Amends TCA Title 58; Title 62; Title 63 and Title 68. (HB188/SB382)
- Local Education Agencies As enacted, revises the requirements for an LEA's progressive truancy intervention plan; requires, beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, that each progressive truancy plan adopted by an LEA include a first tier of schoolwide, truancy prevention-oriented supports for all enrolled students. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6. (HB206/SB273)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the statewide community services agency to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 37, Chapter 5, Part 3. (HB298/SB77)
- Safety, Dept. of As enacted, authorizes members of the general assembly to request, in writing, the department to provide a copy of a crash report concerning fatal accidents that occurred in the member's district; specifies that a crash report that is subject to an ongoing investigation or court order requiring the information be kept confidential is not subject to released under this bill. Amends TCA Title 55. (HB364/SB619)
- Utilities, Utility Districts As enacted, redefines "change in net position" for purposes of financially distressed utility districts and water or wastewater facilities; corrects a reference that should be to a petition for a new utility system. Amends TCA Section 7-82-401; Section 68-221-1017 and Section 68-221-1010. (HB651/SB533)
- Human Services, Dept. of As enacted, removes requirement that the significant variance amount established by the department provide the lower threshold for modification of child support orders for low income persons; allows department to review and seek adjustment of an obligation once aware of a change in circumstances for a party to a Title IV-D child support case. Amends TCA Section 36-5-101(g) and Section 36-5-103(f). (HB765/SB750)
- Industrial Development As enacted, requires each member of a board of directors of an industrial development corporation to complete a conflict-of-interest statement; requires the Tennessee Ethics Commission to post on its website a sample conflict of interest statement. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 53. (HB831/SB787)
- Local Education Agencies As enacted, authorizes an LEA to remove a student from the regular school program without assigning the student to an alternative school or alternative program if the student was suspended or expelled for certain offenses that may threaten the safety of persons attending or assigned to the regular school program and the alternative school or alternative program is located on the same grounds as the regular school program. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6. (HB890/SB1223)
- Controlled Substances As enacted, excludes from the definition of marijuana "a product," instead of "a cannabidiol product" approved as a prescription medication by the United States food and drug administration; specifies that such a product will be redesignated, rescheduled, or deleted as a controlled substance. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 4. (HB976/SB706) [See Appendix "D"]
- Dentists and Dentistry As enacted, removes restriction on appointment to the board of dentistry for persons affiliated with educational institutions where the practice of dentistry, dental hygiene, and dental assisting is taught. Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 5. (HB1091/SB1411)

- 232 County Government As enacted, authorizes counties that self-insure their liability for county officials and employees under the Tennessee Governmental Tort Liability Act to self-insure their risk of loss in lieu of obtaining bonds or insurance to cover their liability for such persons. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 19. (HB1097/SB1261)
- Election Laws As enacted, allows a person who lives in an independent living facility that is on the same property as a licensed nursing home, assisted care living facility, or home for the aged to vote by absentee ballot when the county election commission conducts an election at the licensed nursing home, assisted care living facility, or home for the aged. Amends TCA Section 2-6-601. (HB1098/SB1273)
- Local Government, General As enacted, prohibits local governmental entities from mandating certain disclosures in contracts for improvements to real property, or in a bid, proposal, or agreement relating to an improvement of real property. Amends TCA Title 12, Chapter 4 and Title 50, Chapter 3. (HB1112/SB1150)
- 235 Child Custody and Support As enacted, prohibits a court from solely considering a parent's disability to determine custody unless it impacts the parent's ability to meet the needs of the child; specifies that a court cannot consider a parent or guardian's disability alone in a termination of parental rights proceeding unless it impacts the physical or psychological welfare of the child. Amends TCA Title 36 and Title 37. (HB1168/SB1388)
- Criminal Offenses As enacted, creates the Class E felony of possessing a telecommunication device inside a penal institution; specifies that the first violation of such an offense is punishable only by a fine and the second or subsequent violation is punishable only by a fine of \$3,000. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 16, Part 2. (HB1343/SB442)
- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, authorizes the City of St. Joseph to hold a referendum to authorize the retail sale of alcoholic beverages in package stores and for consumption on the premises. Amends TCA Section 57-3-106 and Section 57-4-103. (HB1517/SB1330)
- 238 State Government As enacted, authorizes state agencies to contract with a licensed provider of child care services to offer child care services as an option for the agency's officers and employees. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 8; Title 49 and Title 71. (SB22/HB1114)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the bureau of ethics and campaign finance to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 55. (SB44/HB271)
- 240 Motor Vehicles, Titling and Registration As enacted, clarifies that a lienor is required to send notice of a discharged lien to the department of revenue on the date the lien is discharged and that the department must be notified of the discharge within 72 hours of the date of discharge. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 3. (SB112/HB331)
- Game and Fish Laws As enacted, creates a lifetime sportsman license for adopted children, under the age of 13; provides that the child's guardian must apply for the license on the child's behalf within 36 months from the adoption; provides that the fish and wildlife commission will set the license fee. Amends TCA Title 70, Chapter 2. (SB119/HB641)

- Public Records As enacted, authorizes, from April 28, 2021, to July 1, 2025, a records custodian to petition a court to enjoin a person who makes a request to view or copy a public record with the intent to disrupt government operations from making records requests. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5. (SB135/HB197)
- 243 Motor Vehicles As enacted, exempts tow trucks that are responding to an emergency call received from a law enforcement agency from law that generally makes it a Class C misdemeanor to operate a vehicle on the shoulder or right-of-way of a state highway. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 54; Title 55; Title 65 and Title 67. (SB139/HB127)
- 244 Insurance, Health, Accident As enacted, revises requirement for the department of commerce and insurance to report on coverage for mental health, alcoholism, and drug dependency. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. (SB151/HB360)
- Evidence As enacted, redefines "crisis intervention" and "crisis response services" for purposes of the privileged communications. Amends TCA Title 10 and Title 24, Chapter 1. (SB163/HB167)
- 246 Criminal Offenses As enacted, requires a law enforcement officer to notify the department of children's services when a person under 18 years of age is taken into custody for suspicion of committing the offense of prostitution. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 5. (SB214/HB342)
- Driver Licenses As enacted, adds the NAVPERS-660 honorable discharge certificate to the list of documents that may be submitted by an honorably discharged veteran who requests to have the "veteran" designation on a driver license. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 50, Part 3. (SB268/HB346)
- Teachers, Principals and School Personnel As enacted, defines the term "teacher" for purposes of state salary increases for licensed education personnel. Amends TCA Title 9 and Title 49. (SB290/HB1363)
- Libraries As enacted, makes various changes to the state and regional library systems. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 1, Part 1; Title 10, Chapter 3 and Title 10, Chapter 5, Part 1. (SB311/HB404)
- Schools, Charter As enacted, entitles all public charter schools to participate in the state group insurance plans selected by the governing body of the public charter school in accordance with existing law; authorizes, instead of requires, teachers and other full-time permanent employees of public charter schools to participate in such plans. Amends TCA Title 8 and Title 49, Chapter 13. (SB353/HB472)
- Pensions and Retirement Benefits As enacted, clarifies that when members of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System elect to establish retirement service through monthly installments, the members can do so over the length of service being established. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 34; Title 8, Chapter 35; Title 8, Chapter 36 and Title 8, Chapter 37. (SB405/HB531)
- 252 Children's Services, Dept. of As enacted, requires secure detention facilities, correctional facilities, youth development centers, and other hardware secure facilities that contract with the department, that are housing juveniles to immediately report any security breach to the department and local law enforcement; requires the department to include information on escapes, attempted escapes, security breaches, or attempted security breaches in the previous calendar year in the department's annual report. Amends TCA Title 37 and Title 39. (SB447/HB1231)

- Public Records As enacted, makes confidential, from April 28, 2021, to July 1, 2026, certain personal, financial, and residential information of federal law enforcement agents and officers conducting operations in this state in the same manner that such information is confidential for state and local law enforcement officers and agents. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5; Title 38 and Title 39. (SB475/HB347)
- 254 Courts, General Sessions As enacted, authorizes Johnson County to employ a full-time general sessions judge and prohibit the judge from practicing law or accepting other employment upon adoption of a resolution by a two-thirds majority vote of the county legislative body. Amends TCA Title 16, Chapter 15. (SB505/HB699)
- 255 Marriage As enacted, permits notaries public to solemnize marriages. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 16 and Title 36, Chapter 3, Part 3. (SB509/HB1371)
- Public Funds and Financing As enacted, requires that the annual budget of a local government be on the same basis of accounting as required by generally accepted accounting principles; requires the comptroller of the treasury provide guidance to the form of that budget, including supplemental schedules, as necessary, to demonstrate the local government has adequate cash to meet its current obligations, including principal and interest, as applicable; makes other revisions to provisions governing budgeting by local governments. Amends TCA Section 4-3-305; Title 7; Title 9 and Title 68. (SB534/HB652)
- 257 Comptroller, State As enacted, removes requirement that the comptroller of the treasury approve quarterly profit and loss statements of the Tennessee rehabilitative initiative in correction's (TRICOR's) operation prior to the release of such statements for publication. Amends TCA Section 41-22-123. (SB545/HB663)
- Unclaimed Property As enacted, changes the date used to determine when property held in a pension or retirement account is presumed abandoned; changes, from \$50 to \$25, the threshold value for property to be included in the report due to the treasurer under the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act; changes the exception to allow the treasurer to waive the claim requirement and deliver the property directly to a person. Amends TCA Title 66, Chapter 29. (SB611/HB469)
- Health Care As enacted, establishes certain requirements and procedures to be followed when a patient who is an inpatient at a healthcare facility, or seeking services from emergency department, expresses to a healthcare provider a recent threat or attempt at suicide or infliction of bodily harm to themselves. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 33; Title 63 and Title 68. (SB615/HB180)
- Insurance, Health, Accident As enacted, clarifies that the assignment of benefits statute does not prohibit a policy of insurance from providing reimbursement to an insured for expenses the insured incurred when the insured remitted payment directly to a healthcare provider or healthcare facility for provided covered healthcare services. Amends TCA Title 56 and Title 63. (SB618/HB1463)
- Education As enacted, specifies, for purposes of certain provisions governing leave, that a teacher's school or school district is not considered to be closed when teachers are required to work remotely and provide virtual instruction to students. Amends TCA Title 49. (SB636/HB1342)
- Redistricting, Legislative As enacted, extends the time in which all county legislative bodies must change the boundaries of districts or redistrict the county entirely from at least once every 10 years

to at least once every 11 years; authorizes the comptroller of the treasury to extend the January 1, 2022, deadline for county legislative bodies to change district boundaries or redistrict based on the United States census bureau delay in releasing the results of the 2020 federal census. - Amends TCA Section 3-1-102 and Section 5-1-111. (SB786/HB853)

- Water Pollution As enacted, defines "system of incentives" to include regulatory flexibility recognizing increased environmental performance and enhanced water quality under specified permitted activities through permit conditions pursuant to duly promulgated rules. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7, Chapter 35; Title 65; Title 68 and Title 69. (SB790/HB1144)
- Taxes As enacted, specifies that a vacation lodging service is not a short-term rental unit marketplace for purposes of being responsible for collecting and remitting tourist accommodation taxes and hotel occupancy taxes. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 4 and Title 67, Chapter 4. (SB852/HB918)
- Tort Liability and Reform As enacted, revises provisions governing information to be filed by a plaintiff in an asbestos action; requires dismissal without prejudice of plaintiff's asbestos claim as to any defendant whose product or premises is not identified in the required information form; requires that plaintiff's asbestos claim be dismissed without prejudice if plaintiff fails to provide the required information. Amends TCA Title 29, Chapter 28 and Title 29, Chapter 34. (SB873/HB1199)
- Judges and Chancellors As enacted, allows a general sessions or juvenile court judge serving by interchange to receive reimbursement for travel expenses from the county to which the judge travels to serve; limits certain travel expenses to no more than \$100 per day. Amends TCA Section 16-15-209. (SB886/HB1122)
- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, designates sports facilities at private universities as sports authority facilities for purposes of consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises. Amends TCA Section 57-4-102. (SB1004/HB1082)
- Tennessee Bureau of Investigation As enacted, requires the human trafficking advisory council to develop a poster design that brings awareness to human trafficking and provide the completed poster design to the department of tourism for placement of the posters in each of Tennessee's welcome centers for the public to view. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 30; Title 39; Title 40; Title 49 and Section 71-1-135. (SB1132/HB1334)
- Motor Vehicles As enacted, specifies three segments of state highways located in Unicoi County where operation of off-highway vehicles will be authorized. Amends TCA Section 55-8-185. (SB1178/HB1418)
- Game and Fish Laws As enacted, repeals statutory fee structure for licenses and permits, with certain exceptions; authorizes the fish and wildlife commission to promulgate rules to abolish license years and establish an annual license system. Amends TCA Title 70, Chapter 2. (SB1199/HB1384)
- Education, Dept. of As enacted, directs the department to provide career and technical education opportunities for students in middle school; requires an LEA to provide students in seventh or eighth grade with information on available career and technical education programs upon administering a career aptitude assessment. Amends TCA Title 49. (SB1240/HB1446)
- 272 Sports As enacted, enacts the "Safe Stars Act," which establishes certain health and safety

- requirements in regard to school youth athletic activities. Amends TCA Title 49 and Title 68. (SB1259/HB1410)
- Taxes, Privilege As enacted, authorizes a local governing body to pass a resolution or ordinance requiring 50 percent of the residential development tax levied under the County Powers Relief Act to be paid at the time of application for a building permit and the remaining 50 percent of the tax to be paid prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 29. (SB1262/HB1172)
- Education As enacted, establishes certain requirements regarding student athletes who are placed in foster care. Amends TCA Title 49. (SB1303/HB1332)
- Taxes, Sales As enacted, authorizes dealers whose sales and use tax liability for 12 consecutive months has averaged \$1,000 or less per month to file returns and payment either monthly or quarterly; requires that the \$1,000 be adjusted for inflation and rounded to the nearest \$10 every five years, beginning January 1, 2026. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6, Part 5. (SB1326/HB539)
- Local Education Agencies As enacted, authorizes LEAs to purchase technology using state school funds for textbooks and instructional materials in a school year immediately following a textbook adoption cycle in which the state textbook and instructional materials quality commission did not list or recommend career and technical education textbooks or instructional materials; authorizes LEAs to use any remainder of such funds after the purchase of career and technical education textbooks or instructional materials to purchase technology. Amends TCA Title 49. (SB1377/HB795)
- 277 Motor Vehicles As enacted, adds to the provisions governing labor rates charged by motor vehicle dealers. Amends TCA Section 55-17-121. (SB1615/HB1352)
- 278 Criminal Offenses As enacted, enacts the "Spencer Bristol Act," which increases the penalty for evading arrest that results in the serious bodily injury of a law enforcement officer to a Class C felony and evading arrest that results in the death of a law enforcement officer to a Class A felony. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 16, Part 6. (SB129/HB55)
- General Services, Dept. of As enacted, deletes the Paperwork Reduction and Simplification Act of 1976; redistributes the recordkeeping responsibilities for the state protest committee; revises other various provisions governing state contracts. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 25; Title 4, Chapter 56, Part 1; Title 12, Chapter 3, Part 3 and Title 12, Chapter 4, Part 1. (SB746/HB78)
- 280 Human Services, Dept. of As enacted, designates certain licensing periods as provisional licensing periods; requires the department to establish and implement a quality assessment and rating system to evaluate child care agencies; makes various other changes relative to licensing of child care agencies. Amends TCA Title 71, Chapter 3, Part 5. (SB749/HB768)
- Education, Curriculum As enacted, requires an LEA or public charter school to notify a student's parent or guardian prior to commencing instruction of a sexual orientation or gender identity curriculum; permits a parent or guardian to excuse the parent's or guardian's student from a sexual orientation or gender identity curriculum, and prohibits the LEA or charter school from penalizing an excused student. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 13. (SB1229/HB529) [See Appendix "C"]
- **282** State Inmates As enacted, creates process by which the commissioner of correction may certify as

eligible for parole certain chronically debilitated or incapacitated inmates; clarifies that medical conditions for which an inmate may be granted a furlough by the commissioner of correction must be chronically debilitating or incapacitating. - Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 28, Part 1; Title 40, Chapter 35, Part 5 and Section 41-21-227(i). (HB72/SB727)

- Banks and Financial Institutions As enacted, authorizes a state bank to request from the commissioner a waiver or modification of certain terms and conditions applicable to a national bank; authorizes a state bank to request from the commissioner authority to exercise certain incidental powers or engage in certain incidental activities; requires commissioner to publish a summary of applications made for waiver, modification, or authorization. Amends TCA Section 45-2-601. (HB77/SB745)
- 284 Military As enacted, establishes state employment protections for members of the national guard, state guard, and civil air patrol called to active state duty equivalent to the federal Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) for members of the national guard called to federal active service. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 33. (HB82/SB754)
- Taxes, Sales As enacted, deletes streamlined sales tax provisions first enacted by Chapter 602 of the Public Acts of 2007 and the implementation of which have been delayed with subsequent legislation. Amends TCA Title 67; Chapter 72 of the Public Acts of 2011; Chapter 157 of the Public Acts of 2019; Chapter 193 of the Public Acts of 2017; Chapter 273 of the Public Acts of 2015; Chapter 480 of the Public Acts of 2013; Chapter 530 of the Public Acts of 2009 and Chapter 602 of the Public Acts of 2007. (HB85/SB757)
- Workers Compensation As enacted, requires that disputes concerning an employer's failure to provide medical care and treatment, medical services or medical benefits, or both, meet certain requirements; removes requirement that all compensation be paid prior to an employee qualifying for vocational recovery assistance; extends current provisions, as amended, for four years; authorizes workers' compensation judges to conduct judicial settlement conferences. Amends TCA Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 2. (HB94/SB764)
- Teachers, Principals and School Personnel As enacted, increases, from one time to once every three years, the required in-service training for a teacher employed by a local board of education in regard to the detection, intervention, prevention, and treatment of human trafficking in which the victim is a child. Amends TCA Title 49. (HB117/SB337)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the board of nursing to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 7. (HB267/SB40)
- Taxes, Sales As enacted, defines "micro market," "micro market display," and "unattended" for purposes of sales and use taxes; authorizes dealers who own and operate micro markets in multiple locations to submit to the department of revenue a single monthly sales tax return and payment from sales made at all micro markets owned and operated by the dealer. Amends TCA Title 67. (HB367/SB223)
- Education As enacted, extends, beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, the counties within which each LEA must implement a program of family life education from counties with a pregnancy rate of 19.5 pregnancies for every 1,000 females ages 15 to 17 to all counties; requires a curriculum on sex education or human sexuality that is implemented by an LEA as a part of a human growth and development program be in conformance with the curriculum guidelines established for family life

- programs. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 13. (HB487/SB1360)
- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As enacted, changes the attorney general and reporter's review of an emergency rule, from not disapproving solely on the basis of failure to meet statutory criteria to requiring that the attorney general not approve an emergency rule that does not meet statutory criteria for adoption. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 5. (HB567/SB1088)
- Election Laws As enacted, prohibits a county election commissioner from voting on issues that directly affect the commissioner's immediate family member who is a candidate for office; requires a county election commissioner to be recused of official duties 30 days prior to an election if an immediate family member of the commissioner is a candidate for office in that county. Amends TCA Section 2-12-102. (HB722/SB419)
- Landlord and Tenant As enacted, authorizes a tenant to terminate a residential rental or lease agreement entered into or renewed on or after July 1, 2021, upon the tenant providing the landlord with written notice stating that the tenant or household member is a domestic abuse victim, sexual assault victim, or stalking victim, regardless of whether the victim is an adult or a child; establishes requirements for the tenant and landlord in such situations. Amends TCA Title 13; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 56 and Title 66. (HB732/SB1033)
- 294 Commerce and Insurance, Dept. of As enacted, terminates the Tennessee private investigation and polygraph commission and state board for licensing alarm systems contractors with no wind down period; transfers the commission and board's duties to the commissioner. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29; Title 4, Chapter 3; Title 62, Chapter 11; Title 62, Chapter 26; Title 62, Chapter 27; Title 62, Chapter 32, Part 3 and Title 62, Chapter 35. (HB781/SB770)
- Secretary of State As enacted, requires that funds collected from charitable organizations that solicit contributions be used by the secretary of state to defray the costs of the division of the department of state in administering laws governing charitable solicitations; requires that portion of certain filing fees collected by the secretary of state from business organizations be used to defray operating costs of the division of the department of state. Amends TCA Title 3, Chapter 17, Part 1; Section 8-21-205 and Title 48, Chapter 101, Part 5. (HB820/SB426)
- 296 State Symbols As enacted, adds "Amazing Grace" by John Newton as an official state song. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 3. (HB938/SB1416)
- Economic and Community Development As enacted, defines the terms "economic development" and "project" to include incentives that promote the development of single-family housing, for purposes of laws governing projects by industrial development corporations and contributions to industrial development corporations by municipalities. Amends TCA Title 6, Chapter 54 and Title 7, Chapter 53. (HB968/SB933)
- Landlord and Tenant As enacted, specifies that, unless certain circumstances are met, a landlord is not liable for negligence in renting, leasing, or otherwise extending housing opportunities to a person who has been previously convicted of a criminal offense based solely on the person's criminal conviction; specifies that evidence of the prior criminal conviction is not admissible. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 12; Title 40; Title 41, Chapter 4; Title 41, Chapter 8; Title 49, Chapter 11; Title 49, Chapter 8; Title 55, Chapter 50 and Section 62-76-104. (HB1064/SB803)
- 299 Education As enacted, requires the commissioner of education to obtain approval from the state

board of education for changes to the formula used to calculate school or LEA performance goals and measures; requires the commissioner to convene a working group before submitting a proposal to the state board to change the formula. - Amends TCA Title 49. (HB1570/SB1579)

- 300 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the bureau of ethics and campaign finance to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 55. (HB271/SB44)
- 301 Homestead Exemptions As enacted, increases maximum homestead exemption to be \$35,000 or \$52,500 for certain persons. Amends TCA Title 26, Chapter 2, Part 3. (SB566/HB676) [See Appendix "G"]
- Campaigns and Campaign Finance As enacted, authorizes the registry of election finance to retain counsel to pursue the collection of unpaid civil penalties assessed by the registry, in lieu of petitioning the attorney general and reporter; states that venue for such suits is the residence of the defendant. Amends TCA Title 2, Chapter 10. (SB626/HB1193)
- Pensions and Retirement Benefits As enacted, changes name of the "council on pensions and insurance" to the "council on pensions"; removes bills involving insurance from council's purview; removes requirement that bills reported out of the council have the council's committee amendments attached to be considered by the standing committee. Amends TCA Title 3, Chapter 9; Title 4; Title 8 and Title 67. (SB708/HB983)
- Privacy, Confidentiality As enacted, specifies that photographic evidence of a fatal motor vehicle accident depicting a deceased minor victim at the scene of the accident is confidential and not open for inspection by members of the public; provides that custodial parent or legal guardian of such deceased minor victim may waive confidentiality and allow the minor victim's photograph to be used and obtained in the same manner as other public records. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7; Title 37; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 55. (SB1285/HB1312)
- Guardians and Conservators As enacted, specifies the procedures for giving notice in conservatorship proceedings; specifies that certain examination reports in conservatorship proceedings are confidential and not open for inspection by the public. Amends TCA Title 34. (SB1440/HB581)
- Election Laws As enacted, establishes certain restrictions and limitations on state election commission, secretary of state, coordinator of elections, county election commission, and administrators of elections in regard to funding for elections, the acceptance of certain gifts, and the expenditure of certain funds. Amends TCA Title 2. (SB1534/HB966)
- 307 Utilities, Utility Districts As enacted, makes various changes concerning safety enforcement of underground utilities, including increasing the penalties that may be assessed for violations. Amends TCA Title 65, Chapter 28 and Title 65, Chapter 31. (HB54/SB374)
- Human Services, Dept. of As enacted, requires the department to report quarterly to certain persons at the general assembly regarding the availability and use of federal funds for programs administered by the department for adult and family services, child support, and rehabilitation services. Amends TCA Title 3; Title 4; Title 9; Title 12, Chapter 4; Title 13; Title 41; Title 42; Title 49; Title 54; Title 55 and Title 71. (HB146/SB145)
- 309 Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation As enacted, enacts the "Stopping Addiction and Fostering

- Excellence (SAFE) Act." Amends TCA Title 6; Title 33; Title 47; Title 63 and Title 68. (HB215/SB207)
- Purchasing and Procurement As enacted, increases from \$10,000 or more to \$25,000 or more, the amount for which a local board of education or the governing body of a public charter school located in a county having a population of 40,000 or more must make purchases or expenditures by competitive bids. Amends TCA Section 12-3-1212; Section 49-13-111 and Section 49-2-203. (HB235/SB1125)
- Child Custody and Support As enacted, requires a court to include written findings of fact and conclusions of law to support a custody arrangement or parenting plan, unless both parents have agreed; revises provisions governing kinship foster care program; revises certain provisions regarding abandonment for purposes of termination of parental rights. Amends TCA Title 36 and Title 37. (HB237/SB1366)
- 312 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Austin Peay State University, board of trustees, to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. (HB258/SB32)
- 313 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the East Tennessee State University, board of trustees to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. (HB278/SB53)
- 314 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Middle Tennessee State University, board of trustees to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. (HB284/SB59)
- 315 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the state board of equalization to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 51. (HB293/SB72)
- 316 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the Tennessee Technological University, board of trustees to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. (HB312/SB92)
- Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the University of Memphis, board of trustees to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. (HB315/SB95)
- 318 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the department of children's services to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 37, Chapter 5. (HB317/SB48)
- Children's Services, Dept. of As enacted, allows a juvenile who has been adjudicated delinquent for conduct that, if committed by an adult, would constitute certain offenses to be committed to the department for a period of one year. Amends TCA Title 37, Chapter 1, Part 1 and Title 39, Chapter 13. (HB323/SB220)
- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, authorizes Gaylord Springs Golf Links to seek a caterer license and to grant a franchise for purposes of consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises; designates the Wildhorse Saloon as a restaurant for purposes of consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises; authorizes the General Jackson Showboat to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises of its principal dock. Amends TCA Title 57, Chapter 4. (HB339/SB305)
- 321 Utilities, Utility Districts As enacted, authorizes the board of commissioners of a utility district to use competitive sealed proposals to purchase goods or services instead of competitive sealed bids in emergency situations or when the board determines that the use of competitive sealed bids is either not practical or advantageous to the utility district. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 82, Part 8 and

- Law Enforcement As enacted, allows a retired law enforcement officer who fulfills the training and directive requirements or who is authorized to carry a firearm in the same manner as a law enforcement officer to provide private security services without completing the firearms training required for private protective services licensing. Amends TCA Title 38 and Title 62, Chapter 35. (HB412/SB404)
- Education, Dept. of As enacted, requires the department to submit a report to the education administration committee and education instruction committee of the house on the high school graduation rate and to annually report on the state report card information related to state, LEA, and school level indicators of postsecondary readiness by graduating class. Amends TCA Section 49-1-228 and Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 6. (HB462/SB1343)
- 324 Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, requires disclosure of certain information concerning contracts with wholesalers of alcoholic beverages. Amends TCA Title 57. (HB464/SB403)
- 325 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the polysomnography professional standards committee to June 30, 2022. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 31. (HB493/SB1074)
- Teachers, Principals and School Personnel As enacted, revises provisions governing temporary teaching permits. Amends TCA Title 49. (HB525/SB924)
- **327** Public Records As enacted, makes subject to public disclosure certain records, documents, and information pertaining to payers of the business tax, as long as the taxpayer consents to the public disclosure. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5 and Title 67. (HB560/SB302)
- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As enacted, requires a department with rules promulgated and published on the secretary of state's website or with an administratively attached agency with rules so promulgated and published to submit, by December 1, 2023, and every eight years thereafter, a report of the department's chapters in effect as of July 1 of the year that the report is due to the chairs of the house and senate government operations committees. Amends TCA Title 4. (HB566/SB1087)
- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, requires persons applying for a manufacturer or distiller license to provide the alcoholic beverage commission with names and percentage of ownership of a person or entity having more than a 10 percent interest in the manufacturer or distiller. Amends TCA Title 57, Chapter 2 and Title 57, Chapter 3. (HB669/SB430)
- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, defines "food hall" for purposes of consumption of alcohol on the premises of a food hall; enacts certain requirements governing the operation of a food hall for such purposes. Amends TCA Title 57. (HB674/SB299)
- Wine & Wineries As enacted, prohibits licensure as a winery direct shipper of in-state or out-of-state wine fulfillment houses; makes various other changes regarding the operation of winery direct shippers and fulfillment centers. Amends TCA Title 57. (HB742/SB705)
- Commerce and Insurance, Dept. of As enacted, revises provisions governing statewide building construction safety standards. Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 120. (HB749/SB631)

- Privacy, Confidentiality As enacted, makes the personally identifying information provided by an individual as part of the individual's use of, or participation in, a government-sponsored or supported property alert service or program confidential. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5. (HB851/SB994)
- Taxes, Hotel Motel As enacted, redefines "hotel" for purposes of the hotel occupancy tax to mean any structure or space, or any portion thereof, that is occupied or intended or designed for occupancy by transients for dwelling, lodging, or sleeping purposes, and includes privately, publicly, or government-owned hotels, inns, tourist camps, tourist courts, tourist cabins, motels, short-term rental units, primitive and recreational vehicle campsites and campgrounds, or any place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are furnished to transients for consideration. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 4; Title 13, Chapter 7; Title 67, Chapter 5 and Title 67, Chapter 4. (HB856/SB576)
- Local Education Agencies As enacted, adds certain cyber security-related information to the information that the state-level safety team must include in the template safety plan that LEAs must adopt as part of their comprehensive district-wide and building-level school safety plans. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6. (HB925/SB1425)
- 236 Law Enforcement As enacted, states that a law enforcement officer meeting certain qualifications who makes an arrest outside of the law enforcement officer's jurisdiction has the same legal status and immunity from suit as a state or local law enforcement officer making an arrest within the state or local law enforcement officer's jurisdiction if certain circumstances are met. Amends TCA Section 38-3-113. (HB961/SB1232)
- 337 Comptroller, State As enacted, requires that insurance pool, special fund, and reserve fund created by a governmental entity and any entity administering such funds be audited annually by the comptroller of the treasury. Amends TCA Section 10-7-503 and Section 29-20-401. (HB1049/SB240)
- 338 Correctional Programs As enacted, authorizes TRICOR to sell goods manufactured by inmates to government entities, private nonprofit corporations, and charitable organizations in this state if the TRICOR board determines the sale is in the best interests of the state and does not unfairly compete with private sector businesses. Amends TCA Section 41-22-116. (HB1069/SB590)
- Business and Commerce As enacted, prohibits counties, including counties with a metropolitan form of government, and municipalities from regulating the operation of an online marketplace or requiring an online marketplace to provide personally identifiable information of users without an administrative subpoena or court order. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 12; Title 13; Title 42; Title 54; Title 55; Title 56; Title 62; Title 65; Title 66; Title 67 and Title 68. (HB1336/SB872)
- Nurses, Nursing As enacted, authorizes a graduate nurse to engage in the practice of professional nursing without a license for a limited period of time if certain conditions are met. Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 7, Part 1. (HB1353/SB1267)
- 341 Textbooks As enacted, enacts the "Textbook Transparency Act," which revises provisions governing textbooks and instructional materials. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 22. (HB1513/SB1034)
- 342 Textbooks As enacted, requires the department of education to develop a proposed rubric to assist the state textbook and instructional materials quality commission in reviewing and scoring textbooks and instructional materials proposed for adoption and submit the proposed rubric to the commission

- for approval; enacts other related provisions. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 22. (HB1537/SB1036)
- County Government As enacted, authorizes a county to regulate junkyards located within the county's boundaries as long as the rules or regulations are at least as stringent as those promulgated pursuant to the authority contained in the Junkyard Control Act. Amends TCA Title 5, Chapter 1 and Title 54, Chapter 20, Part 1. (HB1558/SB1364)
- 344 Education, Higher As enacted, prohibits a public institution of higher education in this state from hosting a Confucius Institute or accepting a gift from, or entering a contract with, a foreign source in certain circumstances; enacts other related provisions. Amends TCA Title 49. (HB1238/SB1191)
- Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies As enacted, enacts the "Insurance Data Security Law." Amends TCA Title 56, Chapter 2. (HB766/SB725)
- Public Health As enacted, specifies certain authority of the commissioner of health and pharmacists regarding epidemics, vaccines, and a statewide collaborative pharmacy practice agreement. Amends TCA Section 29-34-802; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. (HB778/SB777)
- General Assembly As enacted, prohibits members of the general assembly from bidding on, selling, or offering for sale any service to a state entity or to have a financial interest in the bidding, selling, or offering for sale of any service to a state entity; makes the prohibition applicable during the tenure of the member's office and for six months thereafter; creates certain exceptions; violation results in disqualification from holding certain offices; enacts other related provisions. Amends TCA Title 3; Title 4; Title 8; Title 9 and Title 12. (HB1040/SB798)
- Abortion As enacted, requires that disposition of remains from a surgical abortion performed at an abortion facility be by burial or cremation; requires the department of health to promulgate certain rules and forms; and makes certain other changes regarding the disposition of fetal remains. Amends TCA Title 37, Chapter 10; Title 39; Title 62, Chapter 5 and Title 68. (HB1181/SB828)
- 349 Sunset Laws As enacted, extends the consumer advocate division in the office of the attorney general and reporter to June 30, 2022. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 65, Chapter 4. (SB46/HB319)
- Tennessee Bureau of Investigation As enacted, requires the bureau to implement a program to assist in the locating of missing, vulnerable citizens, called the Silver Alert program, that will supersede the Care Alert program. Amends TCA Title 38, Chapter 6. (SB102/HB119)
- Highways, Roads and Bridges As enacted, provides for the naming of certain roads and bridges in honor of certain persons. Amends TCA Title 54. (SB137/HB124)
- Psychologists As enacted, enacts the "Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact Act." Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7; Title 33; Title 63 and Title 68. (SB161/HB455)
- Probation and Parole As enacted, requires the board to consider granting parole to a prisoner who reaches the release eligibility date for the prisoner's combined sentences and has an active detainer to serve a term of imprisonment in another jurisdiction, if certain conditions are met. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 28. (SB252/HB109)

- Criminal Offenses As enacted, expands the offense of unlawful photography to include a photograph taken without an individual's consent and the focus of the photograph is the intimate area of the individual or would offend or embarrass an ordinary person and the photograph was taken for the purpose of sexual arousal of the defendant. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 6. (SB331/HB382)
- Evidence As enacted, requires a law enforcement agency that discovers potentially exculpatory evidence to report that evidence; enacts the "Post-Conviction Fingerprint Analysis Act of 2021." Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 30. (SB448/HB1086)
- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption at various locations. Amends TCA Title 57, Chapter 4. (SB486/HB845)
- Health Care As enacted, authorizes certain healthcare professionals licensed in other states to practice telehealth while providing healthcare services on a volunteer basis through a free clinic in this state. Amends TCA Title 56; Title 63 and Title 68. (SB929/HB967)
- 358 Expunction As enacted, requires a judge to notify, if practicable, a defendant at the time of sentencing if the conviction is for an expungeable offense and the time period after which a petition to expunge may be filed; requires the administrative office of the courts to provide judges handling criminal matters with reference document containing certain information. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 32 and Title 40, Chapter 35, Part 3. (SB965/HB1319)
- Jails, Local Lock-ups As enacted, establishes that a contracted licensed healthcare provider who certifies that a person is free from an impairment to authorize the person to work in a jail is not an agent of the municipality, county, or political subdivision; establishes that a municipality, county, or political subdivision's good faith reliance of the jailer qualification requirements does not give rise to a cause of action. Amends TCA Section 41-4-144. (SB972/HB1222)
- Local Government, General As enacted, revises the provisions governing a county's, a municipal corporation's, and a special school district's right of subrogation under the local authority's group life, hospitalization, disability, or medical insurance plan. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 27. (SB989/HB1365)
- Expunction As enacted, allows a person who was convicted of a nonviolent offense committed prior to January 1, 1980, and received a pardon for the offense to have the person's criminal records related to the offense expunged. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 32. (SB1028/HB893)
- Tennessee Bureau of Investigation As enacted, enacts the "Jim Coley Protection for Rape Survivors Act." Amends TCA Title 4; Section 10-7-504; Title 29; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 63. (SB1035/HB39)
- 363 Statutes of Limitations and Repose As enacted, removes the statute of limitation for prosecution of trafficking for commercial sex act when committed against a child on or after July 1, 2021. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. (SB1115/HB1302)
- Criminal Offenses As enacted, establishes the criminal offense of mail theft; specifies that the second or subsequent conviction of mail theft is at least a Class E felony; defines mail to include items such as letters, postal cards, and packages. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 14. (SB1121/HB1211)

- 365 Sexual Offenders As enacted, expands the sexual offenses for which a defendant is required to submit to an evaluation for and be subject to a standardized plan of sex offender treatment as part of the defendant's sentence. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 7. (SB1126/HB341)
- 366 Treasurer, State As enacted, authorizes the board of claims to approve, and the state treasurer to establish and maintain, a captive insurance company for the state. Amends TCA Title 9, Chapter 8, Part 1 and Title 56. (SB1151/HB1010)
- 367 Education As enacted, requires, if an appeal of a mandatory retention in third grade based on a student's scores on the ELA portion of the student's TCAP test is filed, it must be filed by the student's parent or guardian; requires an LEA or public charter school to include information about third grade retention in information the LEA or charter school must send to a student's parent upon determining that the student has a significant reading deficiency. Amends Chapter 1 of the Public Acts of 2021 (1st Ex. Sess.); Chapter 3 of the Public Acts of 2021 (1st Ex. Sess.) and TCA Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 9; and Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 31. (SB1156/HB1591)
- 368 Lottery, Scholarships and Programs As enacted, revises various provisions of the helping heroes grants. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 4. (SB1173/HB1150)
- 369 Education As enacted, requires schools, nursery schools, preschools, child care facilities, and public institutions of higher education to include information on immunization exemptions on any communications to students or parents regarding immunization requirements. Amends TCA Title 37, Chapter 10, Part 4 and Title 49. (SB1175/HB1403)
- 370 Consumer Protection As enacted, clarifies that wireless communication includes text messages sent and received on smart devices for purposes of the Anti-Phishing Act. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 47, Chapter 18. (SB1211/HB1298)
- 371 Sexual Offenses As enacted, expands the definition of "sexual activity" for purposes of offenses related to the sexual exploitation of children to include an intent of sexual arousal or gratification. Amends TCA Title 39. (SB1227/HB1346)
- 372 Insurance, Health, Accident As enacted, revises and enacts provisions governing discount plans including prescription drug plans. Amends TCA Title 47, Chapter 18; Title 53; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. (SB1271/HB1015)
- Boards and Commissions As enacted, creates the chronic weight management task force to study the health implications of chronic weight management and Type 2 diabetes. Amends TCA Title 3; Title 4; Title 56, Chapter 1, Part 1 and Title 63. (SB1277/HB750)
- Blection Laws As enacted, enacts the "Tennessee Election Integrity Act," which requires that absentee ballots, other than ballots authorized by state or federal law to be delivered electronically to qualified voters who are entitled to vote by absentee ballot, include a watermark approved by the coordinator of elections; requires a counting board official to verify that the absentee ballots contain the watermark and reject any ballot that does not bear the watermark. Amends TCA Title 2; Title 3; Title 4; Title 8; Title 16 and Title 17. (SB1315/HB1276)
- 375 Children's Services, Dept. of As enacted, prohibits the department from requiring an individual or members of the individual's household to undergo an immunization as a condition of adopting or

fostering unless the child is under 18 months of age or has significant documented medical needs that would necessitate the caregiver or members of the caregiver's household being immunized. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 36; Title 37 and Title 71. (SB1337/HB1547)

- 376 Professions and Occupations As enacted, authorizes a licensed aesthetician to perform cosmetic microneedling if performed under the supervision of a licensed physician. - Amends TCA Section 62-4-109. (SB1339/HB915)
- Teachers, Principals and School Personnel As enacted, revises provisions governing injuries to educators in the course of employment caused by a violent criminal act. Amends TCA Title 49. (SB1343/HB1266)
- 378 Teachers, Principals and School Personnel As enacted, revises provisions governing teachers' contracts. Amends TCA Title 49. (SB1345/HB1443)
- Tort Liability and Reform As enacted, states that there is no cause of action for wrongful birth based on a claim that a person would not or should not have been born or for wrongful life based on a claim that a person would or should have been aborted. Amends TCA Title 20 and Title 29. (SB1370/HB1252)
- **380** Education, Curriculum As enacted, revises provisions governing contraception information provided as part of instruction of the family life curriculum. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 37; Title 49; Title 63; Title 68 and Section 71-5-133. (SB1392/HB577)
- **381** Probation and Parole As enacted, requires an employee of the department of correction to meet with an incarcerated individual within one year of the individual's release eligibility date to create a release plan. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 35, Part 5. (SB1437/HB545)
- Pensions and Retirement Benefits As enacted, allows members of the Tennessee consolidated retirement system to obtain creditable service for prior service while a participating member of a retirement system of a city, metropolitan government, county, utility district, or other political subdivision. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 8. (SB1520/HB1540)
- Land, Agricultural and Open Spaces As enacted, extends, from March 1 to March 15, the deadline by which a landowner must file with the assessor of property an application for land to be classified as agricultural, forest, or open space land; makes other revisions. Amends TCA Title 67. (SB1532/HB854)
- Bemployees, Employers As enacted, prohibits a local governmental entity or the executive head of a local government from, by executive order, ordinance, or resolution, creating categories or classes of nonessential businesses, trades, professions, or industries for the purpose of suspending lawful commerce, encumbering trade, or denying citizens the right to work if such activities are otherwise lawful in this state unless an explicit order of the local fire marshal or a court of competent jurisdiction declares that the business operating poses a clear and present danger to the citizenry of this state. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 50, Chapter 1, Part 2; Title 58 and Title 68. (SB1573/HB37)
- Game and Fish Laws As enacted, expands eligibility for permanent sport combination hunting and fishing licenses to include residents of this state who have suffered an amputation of 75 percent or more of a lower limb. Amends TCA Section 70-2-104. (SB1584/HB1230)

- Local Government, General As enacted, specifies that a local governmental entity is immune from liability for any cause of action or claim for damages arising out of a person's participation in a private appropriately licensed substance abuse treatment program approved by the court as an alternative facility. Amends TCA Title 29, Chapter 20 and Title 55, Chapter 10, Part 4. (SB1590/HB187)
- Civil Procedure As enacted, provides that a person who uses justifiable force against another may request a stay of proceedings in any civil action based on the use of force until the criminal investigation has concluded; allows for an immunity hearing at which the court may dismiss an action that is barred by immunity. Amends TCA Title 39. (HB25/SB1148)
- Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, authorizes the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption at the Historic Jackson Theater, the Jonesborough Repertory Theatre, the International Storytelling Center, the McKinney Center, and the Jonesborough Visitor Center, all located in Jonesborough. (HB201/SB244)
- Local Education Agencies As enacted, authorizes LEAs to develop and implement a "Stop the Bleed" program and provides limited civil immunity to LEAs, schools, and LEA employees for personal injuries resulting from the use of items in a bleeding control kit; establishes requirements for the program. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 1; Title 49, Chapter 2 and Title 49, Chapter 6. (HB212/SB634)
- Jails, Local Lock-ups As enacted, authorizes counties to develop and operate transition centers pursuant to interlocal agreements; authorizes a transition center to partner with a nonprofit organization that provides programming designed to reduce recidivism. Amends TCA Title 5, Chapter 9, Part 1; Title 49, Chapter 8 and Title 49, Chapter 11. (HB240/SB489)
- Public Records As enacted, makes records of minor students created by a school resource or other law enforcement officer confidential and not subject to a public records request in certain circumstances, from May 11, 2021 to July 1, 2026; creates certain exceptions. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5. (HB368/SB1598)
- 392 Lottery, Scholarships and Programs As enacted, adds William R. Moore College of Technology as an eligible institution for receipt of dual enrollment grants. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 4. (HB471/SB1157)
- Public Funds and Financing As enacted, revises on a temporary basis, from May 11, 2021, to January 1, 2023, provisions governing collateral for public deposits so that a qualified public depository that accepts any public deposit between May 1, 2021, and December 31, 2022, that would increase its collateral by 25 percent will have 10 calendar days from the date of the deposit to deposit additional collateral to secure such increase. Amends TCA Title 6; Title 8 and Title 9. (HB505/SB1406)
- Criminal Offenses As enacted, allows a person convicted of attempted first degree murder to be sentenced to imprisonment for life without possibility of parole if the offense is committed against certain persons engaged in the performance of official duties. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13 and Title 40, Chapter 35. (HB512/SB842)
- 395 Criminal Offenses As enacted, creates the Class A misdemeanor of communicating a threat to commit an act of mass violence on school property or at a school-related activity; creates the Class B

- misdemeanor of knowing failure to report a threat of mass violence on school property or at a school-related activity. Amends TCA Title 33; Title 37 and Title 39, Chapter 16, Part 5. (HB534/SB627)
- Medical Occupations As enacted, establishes provisions governing the practice of certified medical assistants. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 63 and Title 68. (HB559/SB1264)
- 397 Child Labor As enacted, enacts the "Tennessee Registered Apprenticeship Program Act." Amends TCA Title 50. (HB771/SB752)
- Basic Education Program (BEP) As enacted, establishes that a local education agency's BEP calculation for the 2021-2022 school year must not be less than the LEA's BEP calculation for the 2020-2021 school year; applies to LEAs in full compliance with state school attendance and truancy intervention laws, and the state board of education's continuous learning plan rules. Amends TCA Title 49. (HB777/SB774)
- 399 Capital Punishment As enacted, redefines the term "intellectual disability" for purposes of determining eligibility for the death penalty; allows certain defendants sentenced to death prior to the effective date of this act to petition the trial court for a determination as to whether the defendant is intellectually disabled. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. (HB1062/SB1349)
- 400 Sports As enacted, authorizes an intercollegiate athlete at a four-year public or private institution of higher education located in this state, other than an institution of higher education governed by the board of regents of the state university and community college system, to earn compensation for the use of the athlete's name, image, or likeness under certain conditions. Amends TCA Title 49. (HB1351/SB1000)
- 401 Taxes, Sales As enacted, allocates certain revenue from state and local sales taxes to pay for capital projects and debt service associated with a sports facility of a major league professional football franchise. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6. (HB1437/SB1543)
- 402 Criminal Offenses As enacted, enacts "April's Law" to clarify that a person who engages in sexual contact with a corpse commits the offense of abuse of a corpse, a Class E felony. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 3; Title 40, Chapter 11 and Title 40, Chapter 39, Part 2. (HB12/SB951)
- 403 Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As enacted, revises provisions governing payment of expenses incurred during proceedings related to contested cases. Amends TCA Section 4-5-325 and Section 63-1-144. (HB79/SB747)
- 404 Open Meetings As enacted, changes the notice requirement for meetings conducted under the Tennessee Governmental Entity Review Law, from 10 days prior to the hearing in newspapers of general circulation to seven days prior to such hearing on the general assembly website. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29. (HB573/SB1294)
- Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies As enacted, requires an insurer to include cost sharing amounts paid by the enrollee, or on behalf of the enrollee by another person, when calculating an enrollee's contribution to an applicable cost sharing requirement, in certain circumstances. Amends TCA Title 56, Chapter 7. (HB619/SB1397)
- 406 Children As enacted, requires the commissioner of human services to designate a specific

departmental staff person to serve, in addition to the staff person's other duties, as a liaison to provide an official, uniform message to child care providers, community stakeholders, department child care staff, and partner agencies, using all appropriate channels of communication. - Amends TCA Title 71, Chapter 3, Part 5. (HB670/SB807)

- 407 Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, revises provisions governing the sale of alcoholic beverages on the premises of the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville. Amends TCA Title 57, Chapter 4, Part 1. (HB682/SB1026)
- 408 Children's Services, Dept. of As enacted, requires the department to publish the guidelines for the best practices for identifying and reporting signs of child abuse, child sexual abuse, and human trafficking in which the victim is a child on the department's website. Amends TCA Title 36; Title 37; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 71. (HB723/SB643)
- 409 Correction, Dept. of As enacted, allows the department to contract with entities and organizations, including local governments, to create or operate community-based alternatives to incarceration; rewrites various provisions regarding community corrections, probation, probation revocation, and release on bail. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 8, Chapter 4, Part 1; Section 16-3-810; Title 16, Chapter 22; Title 16, Chapter 3; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 41. (HB784/SB767) [See Appendix "E"]
- Probation and Parole As enacted, enacts the "Reentry Success Act of 2021". Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 12; Title 40; Title 41, Chapter 4; Title 41, Chapter 8; Title 49, Chapter 11; Title 49, Chapter 8; Title 55, Chapter 50 and Section 62-76-104. (HB785/SB768) [See Appendix "E"]
- 411 Consumer Protection As enacted, requires a manufacturer, under certain circumstances, to replace farm machinery with comparable farm machinery or accept return of the farm machinery and refund the full purchase price and related repair costs, less a reasonable allowance for use and a reasonable offset for physical damage; creates a civil cause of action for consumers. Amends TCA Title 43; Title 47, Chapter 18 and Title 55. (HB830/SB831)
- Public Funds and Financing As enacted, revises provisions governing appropriations in regards to laws that result in net increase or net decrease in periods of imprisonment in state facilities. Amends TCA Title 3, Chapter 7 and Title 9, Chapter 4. (HB841/SB992)
- 413 Victims' Rights As enacted, revises provisions governing restitution to victim; extends, from one year to two years, the time within which a victim of a crime may file a claim with the criminal injuries compensation fund. Amends TCA Title 28; Title 29 and Title 40. (HB870/SB893)
- 414 Foster Care As enacted, requires the caseworker for a child who has been placed in foster care to document any objection to the child's placement with a relative that is made by another relative or other interested party; requires the department of children's services to include the number of such objections in its annual report on foster care. Amends TCA Title 36 and Title 37. (HB874/SB1255)
- 415 Child Labor As enacted, allows an age-restricted venue to continue to permit smoking in the venue even if the venue employs a person under 21 years of age if the employee is at least 16 years of age, the child of the owner of the venue, and the venue is not an adult-oriented establishment. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 18. (HB926/SB1401)
- Pensions and Retirement Benefits As enacted, increases from \$40 to \$50 the minimum amount that the state will match to an employee's optional retirement plan. Amends TCA Section 3-9-103; Title

- 8, Chapter 25; Title 8, Chapter 34; Title 8, Chapter 35; Title 8, Chapter 36 and Title 8, Chapter 37. (HB1016/SB516)
- **417** Education As enacted, revises provisions governing criminal history checks of certain persons who come in direct contact with school children or children in a child care program. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 5. (HB1131/SB1424)
- 418 Criminal Offenses As enacted, revises offense of critical infrastructure vandalism. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 43. (HB1145/SB285)
- **419** Election Laws As enacted, revises provisions governing convenient voting centers. Amends TCA Title 2. (HB1178/SB800)
- 420 Trusts As enacted, makes various changes to laws regarding trusts. Amends TCA Title 35. (HB1186/SB896)
- 421 Criminal Procedure As enacted, authorizes law enforcement officers, district attorneys general, and the attorney general to seek criminal process for the production of wire and electronic communications and transactional records pertaining to the communications; sets guidelines for the service of and compliance with the criminal process. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. (HB1187/SB1592)
- Taxes, Sales As enacted, revises provisions governing special sales and use tax allocation in regard to minor league baseball stadium. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6. (HB1204/SB783)
- Forfeiture of Assets As enacted, revises provisions governing awards of attorney's fees in certain forfeiture actions. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 33. (HB1254/SB1361)
- Insurance, Health, Accident As enacted, requires the state to reimburse a local government that provides health insurance benefits for first responders in an amount equal to that portion of health insurance premiums or expenses for COBRA coverage for benefits for which the local government is responsible. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 27. (HB1373/SB1409)
- Wine & Wineries As enacted, authorizes a winery direct shipper that produces or manufactures less than 270,000 liters of wine per calendar year to ship up to 54 liters of wine to an individual per calendar year. Amends TCA Section 57-3-207 and Section 57-3-217. (HB1481/SB1611)
- 426 Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, reduces the population threshold, from 925 to 700, to make a municipality eligible to hold a referendum on the sale of alcoholic beverages. Amends TCA Title 57. (HB1514/SB1032)
- 427 State Employees As enacted, provides 36 hours of yearly leave for a state employee who is a veteran with a service-connected disability of 30 percent or more to be used to attend appointments related to the service-connected disability. Amends TCA Title 8 and Title 58. (HB1578/SB1183)
- Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies As enacted, provides that legal service plans entered into by a person and certain intermediary organizations are not considered legal insurance for the purposes of the Tennessee Legal Insurance Act. Amends TCA Title 56 and Title 67. (SB116/HB516)
- 429 Taxes, Sales As enacted, specifies that "private nonprofit college or university" as it relates to a

certain sales and use tax exemption includes a nonprofit academic medical center and teaching hospital that operates as a separate nonprofit corporation, but which, when founded, was operated as a division of a private nonprofit college or university and that continues to provide education and training of physicians, nurses, and other allied healthcare professionals. - Amends TCA Section 67-6-209. (SB146/HB599)

- 430 Criminal Offenses As enacted, broadens offense of property owner allowing an "underage adult" to consume alcohol to apply to all minors; sets a mandatory fine for convictions offenses related to providing alcohol to minors. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 15, Part 4; Title 40, Chapter 32 and Title 57. (SB157/HB150)
- 431 Highway Signs As enacted, authorizes the department of transportation to install appropriate signs along a state highway for the Doe Mountain recreational area. Amends TCA Title 11; Title 54 and Title 55. (SB171/HB57)
- 432 Beer As enacted, revises provisions governing self-distribution by certain beer manufacturers. Amends TCA Title 57, Chapter 5. (SB177/HB189)
- 433 Economic and Community Development As enacted, encourages each county's joint economic and community development board to include representation from school systems located within the county; revises other powers and actions taken by the board. Amends TCA Section 6-58-114. (SB224/HB155)
- 434 Boats, Boating As enacted, aligns penalties for boating under the influence with the penalties for driving under the influence; clarifies that the offenses of vehicular assault, aggravated vehicular assault, vehicular homicide, and aggravated vehicular homicide may be committed by a person boating under the influence. Amends TCA Section 39-13-106; Section 39-13-115; Section 39-13-213; Section 39-13-218 and Title 69, Chapter 9, Part 2. (SB246/HB679)
- 435 Fireworks As enacted, makes various changes to the process for certification as an outdoor fireworks display operator, proximate pyrotechnic display operator, or flame effect display operator. Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 104. (SB263/HB1497)
- Juvenile Offenders As enacted, prohibits juvenile courts from placing certain juveniles on judicial diversion; imposes certain other restrictions on juveniles adjudicated delinquent for certain acts. Amends TCA Title 37; Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 5 and Title 40, Chapter 39. (SB281/HB955)
- 437 Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, revises provisions governing certain tasting events. Amends TCA Title 57. (SB332/HB668)
- 438 Highway Signs As enacted, requires that any state community colleges that are within the service area of Roane State Community College, located in Campbell County, and located within five miles of Interstate 75 be signed. Amends TCA Title 54, Chapter 5. (SB427/HB540)
- 439 Law Enforcement As enacted, establishes a reward for information leading to the arrest of any person responsible for the shooting of a law enforcement officer in the line of duty; sets the reward at \$10,000 if the officer is injured in the shooting or \$20,000 if the officer is killed in the shooting. Amends TCA Title 38. (SB440/HB530)
- **440** Criminal Offenses As enacted, expands the offense of aggravated rioting to include rioting by a person who travels from outside the state with intent to commit a criminal offense and participating

in a riot in exchange for compensation; increases the mandatory minimum sentence for aggravated rioting to 60 days if the person commits more than one aggravating circumstance. - Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. (SB451/HB881)

- Disabled Persons As enacted, prohibits certain healthcare providers and entities from discriminating against qualified persons for receipt of transplantations or anatomical gifts based solely on disability; prohibits insurers that offer plans covering transplantations from denying coverage solely on disability. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 33; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. (SB488/HB1464)
- Comptroller, State As enacted, replaces the requirement that if a witness cannot be found, a copy of a subpoena issued by the comptroller of the treasury to the witness be left at the place of residence of the witness with the requirement that a copy of the subpoena be mailed by first-class mail to the last known address of the witness; adds, as an alternative to hand delivery of a subpoena, that the subpoena be mailed to the witness by certified mail, return receipt requested. Amends TCA Section 8-4-203. (SB536/HB654)
- Firearms and Ammunition As enacted, clarifies that the term "crime of violence" in regard to weapons offenses includes aggravated rape of a child rather than especially aggravated rape of a child. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 16; Title 33; Title 36; Title 37; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 49 and Title 70. (SB555/HB762)
- 444 Firearms and Ammunition As enacted, enacts the "Tennessee Firearm Protection Act." Amends TCA Title 38 and Title 39. (SB557/HB446)
- Veterans Services, Dept. of As enacted, enacts the "Major Trevor Joseph Act," which requires the department to provide burial services for a person who died while on active duty with the armed forces and is being interred in a state veterans cemetery on a date requested by the family members of the person if the department is given notice of the burial at least 72 hours in advance of the burial.

 Amends TCA Title 46, Chapter 6 and Title 58. (SB793/HB442)
- Courts, Administrative Office of the As enacted, requires the AOC to provide each court clerk in a county that has not installed TnCIS with a list of the data that is required under Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee or state law; requires the AOC and court to coordinate efforts to ensure that the court clerks submit the required data by January 1, 2022, and in an ongoing manner thereafter, pursuant to procedures established by the AOC. Amends TCA Section 8-4-115; Title 16 and Title 18, Chapter 1. (SB829/HB1200)
- **447** Public Records As enacted, revises provisions relative to the destruction of original public records. Amends TCA Section 10-7-404. (SB832/HB648)
- Energy As enacted, adds the chair of the Tennessee public utility commission or the chair's designee as a voting member of the state energy policy council. Amends TCA Section 68-204-104. (SB849/HB729)
- Trusts As enacted, allows real property conveyances to a trust to vest title in the trustee of the trust; requires that public records referencing a trust be indexed by the name of the trust, if stated in the document, and in the name of each trustee listed in the document. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7; Title 35 and Title 66. (SB881/HB1190)
- 450 Highways, Roads and Bridges As enacted, enacts the "Caitlyn Kaufman Interstate Safety Act," which

- expands the authorized uses of surveillance cameras on interstate highways. Amends TCA Title 55. (SB354/HB476)
- 451 Alcoholic Beverages As enacted, authorizes, for a period of two years, certain establishments authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption to also offer drive-through, pickup, and carryout orders; revises other related provisions. Amends TCA Title 57. (HB241/SB681)
- **452** Education As enacted, enacts the "Tennessee Accommodations for All Children Act." Amends TCA Title 49. (HB1233/SB1367)
- Public Buildings As enacted, requires a public or private entity or business that operates a building or facility open to the general public to post a notice at the entrance of each public restroom of the entity's or business's policy of allowing a member of either biological sex to use any public restroom within the building or facility, if the entity or business maintains such a policy. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 49 and Title 68. (HB1182/SB1224)
- 454 Appropriations As enacted, makes appropriations for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2020, and July 1, 2021. (SB912/HB1153)
- 455 Bond Issues As enacted, authorizes the state to issue and sell bonds of up to \$126 million. (SB910/HB1152)
- Budget Procedures As enacted, establishes a sales tax holiday on food and food ingredients and on prepared food (excluding alcoholic beverages) from Friday, July 30, 2021, through Thursday, August 5, 2021; revises qualified work-based learning grant program provisions. Amends TCA Title 3; Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 9; Title 10; Title 11; Title 12; Title 13; Title 16; Title 17; Title 18; Title 29; Title 33; Title 36; Title 37; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 41; Title 43; Title 44; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 49; Title 50; Title 53; Title 54; Title 55; Title 56; Title 57; Title 58; Title 59; Title 60; Title 61; Title 62; Title 63; Title 64; Title 65; Title 66; Title 67; Title 68; Title 69; Title 70 and Title 71. (SB909/HB1154)
- Appropriations As enacted, authorizes the index of appropriations from state tax revenues for 2021-2022 fiscal year to exceed the index of estimated growth in the state's economy by \$431,600,000 or 2.37 percent. Amends TCA Title 9, Chapter 4, Part 52. (SB911/HB1151)
- 458 Criminal Offenses As enacted, adds nurses to the assault against a first responder who is discharging or attempting to discharge official duties statute. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13. (SB19/HB864)
- TennCare As enacted, enacts the "Annual Coverage Assessment Act of 2021." Amends TCA Title 71, Chapter 5. (SB123/HB181)
- 460 Health Care As enacted, specifies that standard medical practice does not involve prescribing hormone treatment for gender dysphoric or gender incongruent prepubertal minors; prohibits a healthcare prescriber from prescribing a course of treatment that involves hormone treatment for gender dysphoric or gender incongruent prepubertal minors, except that a healthcare prescriber may prescribe a course of treatment that involves hormone treatments for prepubertal minors for diagnoses of growth deficiencies or other diagnoses unrelated to gender dysphoria or gender incongruency. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 53; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. (SB126/HB1027)
- 461 Health, Dept. of As enacted, requires licensing authority, upon learning a healthcare prescriber was

indicted for or convicted of certain criminal offenses, to restrict or revoke, respectively, the prescriber's ability to prescribe controlled substances; requires licensing authority to suspend the license of certain healthcare professionals upon finding the healthcare professional failed to comply with physician collaboration requirements; requires facility administrators to report certain information. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 29, Chapter 26; Title 63 and Title 68. (SB212/HB1045)

- Law Enforcement As enacted, revises various provisions of the Freedom from Unwarranted Surveillance Act. Amends TCA Title 39. (SB258/HB924)
- Regional Authorities and Special Districts As enacted, revises various provisions under the Human Resource Agency Act of 1973. Amends TCA Title 13, Chapter 26. (SB280/HB622)
- 464 Elder Abuse As enacted, recreates the elder abuse task force, which was terminated and dissolved January 15, 2021; extends date for the task force to submit its findings and recommendations to the governor and general assembly to January 15, 2022. Amends TCA Title 71, Chapter 6, Part 1. (SB304/HB345)
- Dentists and Dentistry As enacted, authorizes a dentist licensed in this state to administer a vaccination against COVID-19 if the dentist has received appropriate training as recommended by the centers for disease control and prevention. Amends TCA Title 63. (SB410/HB565)
- Tourism As enacted, increases maximum amount of additional fee that may be imposed on certain sales in central improvement districts under the Convention Center and Tourism Development Financing Act; specifies how additional fee may be used. Amends TCA Title 7. (SB424/HB811)
- Scholarships and Financial Aid As enacted, removes the requirement that a home school student must be enrolled as a home school student for a full year to be eligible for certain state lottery scholarships; adds those who complete six credit hours of dual enrollment courses to be eligible for the Tennessee HOPE scholarship. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 4. (SB458/HB646)
- Controlled Substances As enacted, adds required information to the report issued by the commissioner of health regarding the impact and effects of restrictions and limitations on the use of opioids to treat patients. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 16, Chapter 22; Title 33; Title 38; Title 39, Chapter 17; Title 40; Title 41; Title 45; Title 50; Title 53; Title 63; Title 67 and Title 68. (SB484/HB582)
- 469 Education, Higher As enacted, ends the BEST college savings program that permitted tuition units to be purchased under a tuition contract; provides for the use, refund, or rollover to another college savings plan of all funds remaining under any tuition contract. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 7. (SB501/HB1396)
- 470 Public Employees As enacted, specifies that an employee of a county or municipality is not entitled to back pay if the employee is arrested and placed on administrative leave and then voluntarily separates from employment, even if the charges are dropped or the employee is found not guilty, or is terminated for reasons other than the arrest; requires that the records of the administrative actions be preserved. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 5, Part 2 and Title 7, Chapter 51, Part 17. (SB610/HB714)
- 471 Textbooks As enacted, revises various provisions governing textbooks and instructional materials; prohibits public school teachers and principals from using or permitting the use of textbooks and instructional materials created to align exclusively with the Common Core State Standards or that are

- marketed or otherwise identified as Common Core textbooks or materials. Amends TCA Section 49-6-2203 and Section 49-6-2206. (SB630/HB755)
- 472 County Government As enacted, prohibits certain persons from having a direct or indirect interest in a contract with a county for the purchase of supplies, materials, equipment, or services. Amends TCA Section 5-21-121. (SB656/HB616)
- 473 Gaming As enacted, authorizes a nonprofit organization to conduct a bingo game as its annual event for purposes of the Tennessee Nonprofit Gaming Law. Amends TCA Title 3, Chapter 17. (SB664/HB720)
- 474 General Assembly, Directed Studies As enacted, creates the Tennessee child care task force. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29; Title 49 and Title 71. (SB677/HB598)
- 475 Clerks, Court As enacted, requires the circuit court clerks, criminal court clerks, clerks and masters of chancery courts, clerks of courts of general sessions, county clerks, clerks of juvenile and probate courts, and clerks of law and equity courts within Knox County to charge the standard schedule of fees. Amends TCA Title 8. (SB688/HB944)
- 476 Dentists and Dentistry As enacted, revises present law provisions regarding the examination to become licensed as a dentist. Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 5. (SB702/HB1284)
- 477 Taxes, Sales As enacted, revises provisions regarding the aviation fuel tax. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6. (SB772/HB773)
- 478 Firefighters As enacted, provides annual \$600 cash supplements to volunteer firefighters who successfully complete in each year an in-service training course. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 24, Part 2. (SB778/HB772)
- Local Education Agencies As enacted, requires each LEA to have an open enrollment period in which a parent or guardian of a student may seek to transfer the parent's or guardian's student to a school in the LEA that the student is not zoned to attend. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 1; Title 49, Chapter 2 and Title 49, Chapter 6. (SB788/HB1305)
- Taxes, Sales As enacted, allows for sales or use taxes collected from a customer by a dealer being refunded to the customer if the customer twice requested a refund from the dealer and the dealer failed or declined to issue the refund and other criteria are met. Amends TCA Title 67. (SB883/HB913)
- Taxes, Privilege As enacted, makes permanent the removal of the cap on the amount of state shared sales tax revenue remitted to premiere type tourist resort municipalities. Amends TCA Title 3; Title 48; Title 63 and Title 67. (SB897/HB496)
- 482 Environment and Conservation, Department of As enacted, requires the commissioner to promulgate rules that take effect by July 1, 2021, to create a commercial use authorization to allow persons wanting to engage in commercial activities at state parks or state natural areas to obtain a permit to do so; specifies that the rules must include fees structured to promote park self-sufficiency and economic development. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 11. (SB1075/HB887)
- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As enacted, continues permanent rules filed with the secretary of state after January 1, 2020. (SB1076/HB495)

- 484 Human Services, Dept. of As enacted, authorizes the department to utilize an enrollment-based child care subsidy payments program that complies with all applicable federal funding requirements and legal authority and that seeks to provide adequate, stable payments to providers of child care services by establishing effective payment practices based upon accurate time and attendance systems. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 68 and Title 71. (SB1105/HB996)
- Fireworks As enacted, requires the state fire marshal to verify that an applicant for a fireworks permit is locally licensed to do business in this state and is registered with the department of revenue prior to issuing a permit. Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 104. (SB1111/HB965)
- 486 Pensions and Retirement Benefits As enacted, authorizes a correctional officer of a local government who is a member of the state retirement system to retire under the state retirement system upon completion of 25 years of creditable service; authorizes local governments participating in TCRS to adopt a mandatory age of retirement for correctional officers. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 36. (SB1114/HB171)
- Campaigns and Campaign Finance As enacted, disqualifies an officer of a multicandidate political campaign committee from running for a state or local public office if the multicandidate political campaign committee has not paid a lawfully assessed civil penalty for a violation of the financial disclosure laws or the campaign contribution laws within 30 days; revises other provisions regarding political campaign committees. Amends TCA Title 2, Chapter 10. (SB1120/HB1179)
- 488 Utilities, Utility Districts As enacted, changes the compensation, from an amount not to exceed \$1,000 annually to an amount not to exceed \$200 monthly, for the board of directors of the Reelfoot Lake regional utility and planning district. Amends TCA Chapter 222 of the Public Acts of 1983, and any other acts amendatory thereto. (SB1187/HB1140)
- 489 Law Enforcement As enacted, requires law enforcement agencies to develop certain policies regarding the use of force; prohibits magistrates from issuing no-knock warrants; establishes certain reporting requirements. Amends TCA Title 38; Title 39 and Title 40. (SB1380/HB1406)
- **490** Education As enacted, revises various provisions regarding the achievement school district. Amends TCA Section 49-1-614. (HB74/SB737)
- Opioids As enacted, establishes the opioid abatement fund; enacts the "Opioid Abatement Council Act"; enacts the "Tennessee Opioid Abatement Act"; authorizes the attorney general and reporter to settle claims against opioid manufacturers. Amends TCA Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 9; Title 20; Title 29; Title 33; Title 47; Title 53; Title 68 and Title 71. (HB1132/SB558)
- Juvenile Offenders As enacted, redefines "seclusion" with regard to children in custody at juvenile detention facilities approved, certified, or licensed by the department of children's services, including youth development centers; enacts other related provisions. Amends TCA Title 37. (SB383/HB1126)
- 493 Education As enacted, deletes several obsolete provisions and makes various substantive changes to education laws; establishes parameters for the teaching of certain concepts related to race and sex. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 49. (SB623/HB580) [See Appendix "C"]
- 494 Expunction As enacted, extends eligibility for expunction to a person convicted of Class A misdemeanor assault prior to July 1, 2000. Amends TCA Section 40-32-101 and Section 40-35-313.

(SB707/HB1102)

- Health Care As enacted, authorizes medical laboratory directors to monitor personnel remotely; creates exceptions to the Tennessee Medical Laboratory Act for pharmacies and private laboratories; revises other provisions of the Act. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 68, Chapter 29. (SB982/HB226)
- Taxes, Hotel Motel As enacted, revises provisions governing the levying of a hotel occupancy tax by a local government. Amends TCA Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 13; Title 67 and Title 68. (SB1030/HB1515)
- 497 General Assembly, Directed Studies As enacted, requires TACIR to study funding for all non fish and game recreational activities, particularly the use of non-motorized vessels, and submit a report of their findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation or interim reports, to the general assembly no later than December 31, 2022. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 69 and Title 70. (SB1080/HB1389)
- Human Services, Dept. of As enacted, authorizes the department to utilize alternative methodologies to determine the cost of day care when setting the annual day care reimbursement rate and to take actions necessary to support the development of shared services alliances and family child care networks to improve the quality of child care in this state, give child care providers access to innovative child care business resource platforms, and provide a means of cost savings to child care providers through negotiated discounts. Amends TCA Title 71. (SB1104/HB1509)
- Pensions and Retirement Benefits As enacted, authorizes, from May 25, 2021, to July 1, 2023, law enforcement officers who have been retired for at least nine months from TCRS from any superseded system administered by the state, or from any local retirement fund to accept employment as a law enforcement officer without loss or suspension of retirement benefits if certain conditions met. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 7; Title 8, Chapter 25; Title 8, Chapter 34; Title 8, Chapter 35; Title 8, Chapter 36 and Title 8, Chapter 37. (SB1185/HB1383)
- **500** Elder Abuse As enacted, enacts the "Safe Seniors Act of 2021". Amends TCA Title 39; Title 40 and Title 71. (SB1228/HB718)
- Witnesses As enacted, limits the circumstances under which a court may permit remote testimony by an expert in the scientific detection of crime (a "forensic analyst") in a criminal proceeding to certain cases; enacts other related requirements. Amends TCA Title 24; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 55. (SB1231/HB1339)
- **502** Motor Vehicles, Titling and Registration As enacted, increases, from \$4.00 to \$5.00, the amount of the fee that may be imposed by each county clerk for the service of handling mail orders of registration plates and decals. Amends TCA Section 55-4-105. (SB1270/HB1360)
- Public Health As enacted, requires TACIR to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of childhood obesity in the state and its short- and long-term effects. Amends TCA Title 3; Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 9; Title 10; Title 33; Title 34; Title 36; Title 37; Title 38; Title 43; Title 47; Title 49; Title 50; Title 55; Title 56; Title 62; Title 67; Title 68 and Title 71. (SB1323/HB1344)
- **504** Education, State Board of As enacted, requires the board to determine the percentage of any increase in funds appropriated to the instructional salaries and wages component of the basic education program (BEP) and increase the minimum salary on the state salary schedule by that

- percentage. Amends TCA Title 49. (SB1338/HB865)
- 505 Sentencing As enacted, classifies the offense of reckless endangerment by discharging a firearm from within a motor vehicle as a Class C felony. Amends TCA Title 39; Title 40 and Title 41. (SB1373/HB1433)
- Tort Liability and Reform As enacted, provides that all actions, arbitrations, or other binding dispute resolution proceedings to recover damages for a deficiency in the design, planning, supervision, observation of construction, or construction of a trolley or light rail system, for injury to property, real or personal, arising out of any such deficiency, or for injury to the person or for wrongful death arising out of any such deficiency, must be brought against any governmental entity that owns, operates, or controls the trolley or light right system within four years after substantial completion of an improvement. Amends TCA Title 29, Chapter 20. (SB1417/HB798)
- **507** Education, Higher As enacted, enacts the "Students Right to Know Act." Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 7. (SB1521/HB1246)
- 508 Child Abuse As enacted, adds to the definition of "severe child abuse" the act of knowingly allowing a child to be within a structure where a Schedule I controlled substance, cocaine, methamphetamine, or fentanyl is present and accessible to the child. Amends TCA Title 37. (SB1530/HB417)
- Sexual Offenses As enacted, states that a victim of sexual battery is incapable of consenting to sexual contact with a member of the clergy, healthcare professional, or alcohol and drug abuse counselor who was treating the victim for a mental, emotional, or physical condition if the sexual contact occurs during the course of a consultation, examination, ongoing treatment, therapy, or other provision of such professional services. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 5. (SB1531/HB427)
- State Government As enacted, revises various provisions of the Tennessee Small Business Investment Company Credit Act regarding TNInvestco. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 12; Title 13; Title 42; Title 43; Title 44; Title 45; Title 46; Title 47; Title 48; Title 50; Title 53; Title 54; Title 55; Title 56; Title 61; Title 62; Title 65; Title 66; Title 67 and Title 68. (SB1552/HB1522)
- Criminal Offenses As enacted, creates the offense of negligently, by act or omission, engaging in conduct that places a child in imminent danger of death, bodily injury, or physical or mental impairment. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40, Chapter 35. (SB1591/HB951)
- Tennessee Higher Education Commission As enacted, requires the commission to establish a fouryear pilot program to award completion grants to Tennessee Promise scholarship students who have an immediate financial need or who are experiencing a financial hardship that may prevent the student from completing a postsecondary degree or credential. - Amends TCA Title 49. (HB6/SB229)
- Public Health As enacted, establishes certain restrictions on requiring persons to be vaccinated for the SARS-CoV-2 virus. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 49; Title 50 and Title 68. (HB13/SB187)
- General Assembly As enacted, allows the use of electronic signatures for a written request by members of the general assembly to convene for extraordinary session in accordance with the Constitution of Tennessee, Article II, § 8. Amends TCA Title 3, Chapter 1. (HB129/SB147)

- Welfare As enacted, makes certain investigative records of the department of human services confidential during the course of an investigation; establishes fines for certain offenses related to fraudulently obtaining food assistance; creates a families first community advisory board; requires the department of human services to establish a two-year pilot program that provides an optional alternative temporary assistance pathway for certain assistance recipients; enacts other related provisions. Amends TCA Section 71-1-105; Section 71-3-104; Section 71-3-105; Section 71-3-120; Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 12 and Section 71-5-314. (HB142/SB751)
- Privacy, Confidentiality As enacted, enacts the "Personal Privacy Protection Act." Amends TCA Title 2; Title 3; Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 10; Title 12; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 41. (HB159/SB1608)
- Taxes, Excise As enacted, revises provisions governing certain excise tax credits. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 20. (HB191/SB170)
- Public Employees As enacted, requires that retirees of the Tennessee highway patrol with 25 years of service receive 80 percent of the scheduled premium or defined contribution for the health insurance benefits provided by the state. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 7 and Title 8, Chapter 27. (HB202/SB1607)
- Education, Curriculum As enacted, requires an LEA to publish its curriculum on the LEA's website and to update curriculum changes at the beginning of each semester. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 2. (HB210/SB1147)
- Bail, Bail Bonds As enacted, specifies the continuing education credits required for persons acting as a bounty hunter; expands persons prohibited from serving as a bounty hunter in this state; and restricts clothing and representations of a professional bondsman. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 11. (HB217/SB219)
- Veterans As enacted, requires the offering of discounted rates for activities at state parks to veterans who are Tennessee residents and a year-round discount in the amount of no less than 50 percent for camping and overnight cabin lodging fees at state parks to a state-resident veteran who has a service-connected disability that is determined by the veterans' administration to constitute a 100 percent permanent total disability. Amends TCA Title 11, Chapter 3. (HB322/SB521)
- Taxes, Personal Property As enacted, authorizes, from May 25, 2021, to July 1, 2024, the county trustee to proceed against delinquent taxpayers by retaining an agent to collect delinquent personal property taxes, interest, costs, and attorneys' fees. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 5. (HB358/SB563)
- Law Enforcement As enacted, requires, in jurisdictions that conduct citizen police academies or similar programs, that members of a community oversight board complete the local police force's citizen academy course or program; establishes timeframe for completion and provides that noncompliant member will lose voting privileges until requirement is met. Amends TCA Title 38. (HB374/SB457)
- TennCare As enacted, adds chiropractic services performed by a person authorized to engage in the practice of chiropractic to the list of healthcare services that may be included as covered TennCare medical assistance. Amends TCA Title 71, Chapter 5. (HB419/SB319)
- **525** Sentencing As enacted, requires that a person convicted of facilitation of rape of a child or

aggravated rape of a child be sentenced to community supervision for life and to serve 100 percent of the sentence imposed before becoming eligible for release, with no more than 15 percent in sentence reduction credits. - Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. (HB430/SB628)

- Child Custody and Support As enacted, adds to the child support advisory group two attorneys appointed by the commissioner of human services, one of whom will be an advocate for child support obligors and one of whom will be an advocate for child support obligees. Amends TCA Title 71, Chapter 1. (HB447/SB259)
- Surplus Property As enacted, authorizes the department of safety to, without payment of financial consideration and following notice to the commissioner of general services, transfer a surplus first responder two-way radio held by the department to the county government of a county that is designated as a distressed county in the most recently published edition of the Appalachian Regional Commission economic classification system index; authorizes other similar transfers after initial transfer. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7; Title 12; Title 13; Title 35, Chapter 8, Part 1; Section 37-10-204; Section 38-6-121; Title 39; Title 40, Chapter 6, Part 3; Title 47, Chapter 18; Title 54; Title 55; Title 65; Title 66; Title 67 and Title 68. (HB488/SB1560)
- Criminal Offenses As enacted, revises provisions regarding the criminal offense of commission of act of terrorism resulting in the killing of another person and other provisions regarding first degree murder and the sentencing for such offense. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13 and Title 40. (HB511/SB841)
- **529** Education, Higher As enacted, increases from \$1,000 to \$1,250 the amount awarded each semester to a full-time student receiving the middle college scholarship. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 4, Part 9. (HB542/SB9)
- TennCare As enacted, extends the nursing home annual assessment fee to June 30, 2022; revises other related provisions. Amends TCA Title 71. (HB556/SB1276)
- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As enacted, limits an administrative agency's authority to promulgate rules without a public hearing. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 5. (HB568/SB1081)
- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As enacted, increases from 75 to 90 days that amount of time for which the house or senate government operations committee may stay a rule; authorizes additional 90-day stays by committees acting jointly in certain circumstances. Amends TCA Section 4-5-215. (HB570/SB1086) [See Appendix "G"]
- Municipal Government As enacted, reduces from 24 hours to 16 hours the required amount of continuing professional education for certified municipal finance officers (CMFO); authorizes a municipality to contract with a certified public accountant to act as a CMFO; removes outdated compliance timelines. Amends TCA Title 6, Chapter 56, Part 4. (HB656/SB538)
- Tort Liability and Reform As enacted, broadens the definition of "governmental entity" under the Tennessee Governmental Tort Liability Act to include certain 501(c)(4) nonprofit property owners associations that, among other requirements, own and operate a water or sewer distribution service. Amends TCA Section 29-20-102. (HB697/SB1606)
- Victims' Rights As enacted, requires the district attorneys general conference to submit a report to the chairs of the judiciary committee of the senate and the criminal justice committee of the house

as to whether separate and secure waiting areas exist within each of the 31 judicial districts along with recommendations to achieve the requirements of law that victims of crime and prosecution witnesses should be provided waiting areas that are separate and secure from the defendant or defense witnesses during all stages of the judicial process. - Amends TCA Title 8; Title 29, Chapter 13 and Title 40. (HB744/SB513)

- 536 Scholarships and Financial Aid As enacted, clarifies that the dual enrollment program will award the in-state tuition and mandatory fees cost up to a maximum amount for the first four courses taken and makes other related changes. Amends TCA Title 49. (HB752/SB482)
- Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies As enacted, enacts the "Insurance Modernization Act." Amends TCA Section 55-18-105; Title 56 and Section 61-2-105. (HB767/SB726)
- Civil Emergencies As enacted, adds provisions relative to COVID-19 response to authorize the commissioner of labor and workforce development to take certain actions in regard to unemployment compensation and to authorize the substitution of a copy of certain documentation in regard to transport by sheriff or transportation agent of a person for involuntary admission for mental health treatment. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 8; Title 33; Title 40; Title 50; Title 58; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. (HB779/SB773)
- Expunction As enacted, authorizes a clerk to charge a fee of less than \$100 for expunction; expands the offenses for which expunction is permitted; revises other related provisions. Amends TCA Section 8-21-401 and Title 40. (HB888/SB675)
- Firearms and Ammunition As enacted, enacts the "Firearms Information Privacy Protection Act." Amends TCA Title 29; Title 38; Title 39 and Title 40. (HB1171/SB1142) **{See Appendix "B"}**
- Probation and Parole As enacted, clarifies that when a person is serving two or more probationary sentences and the person's probation is revoked on one sentence, then the person must receive credit for time served as a result of that revocation against any other concurrent probationary sentence that is subsequently revoked in any jurisdiction in this state. Amends TCA Title 39; Title 40 and Title 41. (HB1183/SB622)
- Children's Services, Dept. of As enacted, requires the department to notify the appropriate court when the department has knowledge that a foster parent from a kinship placement violated a court order by allowing a child to visit the child's parent within 96 hours of the department's knowledge of the information. Amends TCA Title 37 and Title 39. (HB1268/SB1145)
- Fairs As enacted, adds Wilson County Promotions, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, to the entities with which the Tennessee state fair and exposition commission may work to conduct a fair or exposition; provides for the Tennessee state fair being held at the Wilson County fairgrounds. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 57; Title 5, Chapter 9 and Title 43, Chapter 21. (HB1286/SB1155)
- Juries and Jurors As enacted, exempts from jury service, upon request and sufficient proof of age, persons 75 years of age and older who are incapable of providing service due to a mental or physical condition; requires person seeking such exemption to submit a declaration with certain information.

 Amends TCA Title 22. (HB1303/SB1296)
- 545 Criminal Offenses As enacted, states that aggravated burglary and especially aggravated burglary are crimes committed against the person; moves the burglary offenses to the chapter that includes

- offenses against persons. Amends TCA Title 37; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 49. (HB1338/SB970)
- 546 State Government As enacted, creates a new division of state government, the Tennessee Office of Cooperative Disability Investigation, to operate for three years. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 8; Title 10; Title 38 and Title 71. (HB1538/SB352)
- 547 Children's Services, Dept. of As enacted, requires the department, working jointly with the higher education commission, the board of regents, and public institutions of higher education, to establish a foster care youth outreach pilot program at a minimum of five public institutions of higher education. Amends TCA Title 37 and Title 49. (SB722/HB139)
- Mining and Quarrying As enacted, rewrites the Primacy and Reclamation Act of Tennessee. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 10; Title 50; Title 59; Title 60; Title 67; Title 68; Title 69 and Chapter 839 of the Public Acts of 2018. (SB742/HB90)
- Professions and Occupations As enacted, makes various changes affecting certain professional boards and professions, including court reporters, motor vehicle dealers, barbers, certain apprentices, scrap metal dealers, locksmiths, and other professions. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 20; Title 47; Title 55; Title 56; Title 62 and Title 68. (SB771/HB780)
- Public Health As enacted, removes authority from county boards of health in relation to enforcement and adoption of rules and regulations and instead makes the board advisory to the county mayor for such purposes; defines quarantine for purposes of the present law provisions governing quarantine; prohibits state or local governmental official, entity, department, or agency requiring physical documentation or digital storage of protected health information related to an individual's immunization or vaccination against COVID-19 as a condition of entering upon the premises of a state or local government entity, or utilizing services provided by a state or local government entity. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 8; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. (SB858/HB575)
- Tobacco, Tobacco Products As enacted, adds use of vapor products to the acts that are prohibited in enclosed public places under the Non-Smoker Protection Act; revises provision whereby a local government may prohibit smoking by a distance of up to 50 feet from a hospital's entrance unless the application of a 50-foot limit would place hospital patients in a potentially unsafe condition to make the provision mandatory instead of discretionary and to also apply to the use of vapor products. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17. (SB1047/HB705)
- Labor and Workforce Development, Dept. of As enacted, enacts the "Tennessee Work Ready Opportunity Program." Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 11; Title 49, Chapter 6 and Title 49, Chapter 7. (SB1135/HB745)
- Firearms and Ammunition As enacted, enacts the "Tennessee Second Amendment Sanctuary Act." Amends TCA Title 4; Title 38 and Title 39. (SB1335/HB928)
- Firearms and Ammunition As enacted, enacts the "Second Amendment Privacy and Protection Act of 2021," Amends TCA Title 10; Title 33; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 50 and Title 70. (HB902/SB1334)
- Public Records As enacted, revises provisions regarding confidentiality of certain information in records of person arrested or charged but not convicted of an offense and information in accident reports. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5. (HB910/SB572)

- Employees, Employers As enacted, clarifies that non-compliance with state and federal antidiscrimination laws is not included in the definition of "illegal activities" as it relates to provisions prohibiting retaliatory termination of an employee. - Amends TCA Title 20; Title 29 and Title 50, Chapter 1. (HB943/SB1567)
- Hospitals and Health Care Facilities As enacted, enacts the "Tennessee Health Services and Planning Act of 2021," which revises various provisions of and renames the Tennessee Health Services and Planning Act of 2002. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 56; Title 68 and Title 71. (HB948/SB1281)
- Taxes As enacted, provides for the allocation of certain revenue from state and local sales taxes to pay for the capital and operation expenses associated with a motor sports facility. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 3 and Title 67, Chapter 6. (HB975/SB679)
- Taxes As enacted, adds one month to the current six-month extension of time in which taxpayers can file a franchise and excise tax return. Amends TCA Title 67. (HB1011/SB608)
- Unemployment Compensation As enacted, revises provisions governing benefits formula under the Tennessee Employment Security Law. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 50 and Title 56. (HB1039/SB1402)
- Taxes, Sales As enacted, revises provision governing allocation of sales and use tax revenue to certain commercial development districts in economically distressed counties by clarifying that a county bordering three such distressed counties for purposes of the allocation must have bordered at least three such counties in three fiscal years since fiscal year 2016-2017, if certain requirements met. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6. (HB1042/SB1586)
- Purchasing and Procurement As enacted, clarifies that the fiscal review committee must be allowed to review noncompetitive procurement agreements; requires the chief procurement officer to report procurement contracts monthly to the fiscal review committee; revises provisions governing public employees accepting employment with respondent to a solicitation or contractor in certain situations; revises other provisions related to state contracts. Amends TCA Title 3; Title 4; Title 8; Title 9; Title 12 and Title 49. (HB1046/SB993)
- 563 Sentencing As enacted, enumerates certain sexual offenses for which there will be no release eligibility. Amends TCA Title 3; Title 4; Title 9; Title 37; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 41 and Title 55. (HB1047/SB717)
- Appeal and Review As enacted, creates a right of appeal in an action brought against this state, a department or agency of this state, or an official of this state in their official capacity that challenges the constitutionality of a state statute, whereby the state may appeal as of right from an interlocutory order of a circuit or chancery court of this state that grants, continues, or modifies an injunction or denies a motion to dissolve or modify an injunction. Amends TCA Title 1; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 9; Title 20; Title 27; Title 28; Title 29; Title 47 and Title 49. (HB1072/SB915)
- Medical Occupations As enacted, makes various changes to laws regulating physician assistants. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 33; Title 38; Title 48; Title 49; Title 53; Title 55; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. (HB1080/SB671)
- 566 Civil Procedure As enacted, establishes process for three-judge panel hearing civil actions in which the complaint: challenges the constitutionality of a statute, executive order, or rule; includes a claim

for declaratory judgment or injunctive relief; and is brought against the state, a state department or agency, or a state official acting in their official capacity. - Amends TCA Title 2; Title 4; Title 16; Title 17; Title 20; Title 27 and Title 29. (HB1130/SB868) [See Appendix "F"]

- Foster Care As enacted, requires a foster care agency to provide a child in foster care with contact information for each sibling who is also in foster care and who is not placed in the same home as the child if maintaining contact with the sibling is in the best interests of each sibling. Amends TCA Title 37, Chapter 2, Part 4 and Title 37, Chapter 5. (HB1166/SB644)
- Children As enacted, enacts "Eli's Law," which creates a presumption that any child born to a parent, from whose custody a child has previously been removed for being dependent or neglected and the child who was previously removed is in the custody of the department of children's services, may be dependent or neglected and that it is in the best interest of both children that the child's birth be brought to the court's attention; enacts other related provisions. Amends TCA Title 36 and Title 37. (HB1377/SB867)
- Insurance, Health, Accident As enacted, revises various provisions governing pharmacy benefits and pharmacy benefits managers. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 56 and Title 71. (HB1398/SB1617)
- **570** General Assembly As enacted, revises various provisions regarding mileage allowance and expense allowances. (HB1401/SB1400)
- Teachers, Principals and School Personnel As enacted, requires the state board of education to approve a process for an LEA, or for two or more LEAs working together, to establish an LEA teacher training program. Amends TCA Title 49. (HB1534/SB653)
- 572 Professions and Occupations As enacted, repeals the Locksmith Licensing Act of 2006. Amends TCA Title 62, Chapter 11; Title 62, Chapter 35 and Title 62, Chapter 76. (SB12/HB9) [See Appendix "G"]
- 573 Criminal Offenses As enacted, increases the penalty for drag racing from a Class B misdemeanor to a Class A misdemeanor. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 55. (SB14/HB22)
- Tobacco, Tobacco Products As enacted, authorizes a municipality, a county, or a county having a metropolitan form of government to prohibit the use of tobacco products or vapor products, or both, on the grounds of a public park, public playground, or public greenway as long as the public park, public playground, or public greenway is owned or controlled by the respective municipality or county. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 39; Title 54 and Title 66. (SB28/HB1028)
- Human Resources, Department of As enacted, creates the state as a model employer (SAME) program within the department to ensure certain employment practices in regard to individuals with disabilities. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 50. (SB100/HB112)
- Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities, Dept. of As enacted, requires the department to increase the hourly wage for direct care professionals employed at contracted agencies of the department for the home- and community-based waiver programs for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities, or any successor programs, such that on July 1, 2021, the hourly wage is at least \$12.50 per hour. Amends TCA Title 33. (SB114/HB130)
- 577 Health Care As enacted, creates the medical cannabis commission; exempts from the definition of

marijuana oil containing the substance cannabidiol, with less than 0.9% of THC for use by a person with certain health issues, if certain other requirements met. - Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29; Title 4, Chapter 3; Title 38, Chapter 3; Title 39, Chapter 17; Title 43; Title 50; Title 53; Title 63; Title 67 and Title 68. (SB118/HB490) [See Appendix "D"]

- 578 Education As enacted, enacts the "School Turnaround Pilot Program Act." Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 1 and Title 49, Chapter 6. (SB122/HB1501)
- 579 Special License Plates As enacted, authorizes various new special license plates and grants additional time for certain plates to meet the minimum order requirement; revises other special license plate provisions. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 4. (SB138/HB123)
- Animal Cruelty and Abuse As enacted, revises offense of aggravated cruelty to animals. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 2. (SB166/HB733)
- Judicial Districts As enacted, requires that any employee of the twenty-first judicial district who transfers to the same position in the thirty-second judicial district as of September 1, 2022, must retain the same level of salary and benefits, subject to appropriation by the general assembly in the annual appropriations act. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 16; Title 17 and Title 18. (SB222/HB357)
- Taxes, Sales As enacted, increases, from 30 to 35 years, the maximum time period during which a certain portion of state sales taxes are allocated and distributed to a municipality or industrial development corporation that finances development of an extraordinary retail or tourism facility project in a certified border region retail tourism development district. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 40. (SB241/HB330)
- Public Utility Commission As enacted, increases membership of commission from five to seven members; revises other provisions regarding appointments and panels. Amends TCA Title 65, Chapter 1 and Title 65, Chapter 2. (SB242/HB1044)
- Highway Signs As enacted, establishes provisions governing specific service signs where more than six businesses of a specific service type are eligible for sign panels. Amends TCA Title 54. (SB267/HB544)
- Banks and Financial Institutions As enacted, requires the Tennessee advisory commission on intergovernmental relations (TACIR) to study the feasibility of creating a state gold depository and to report its findings to the speakers of the senate and house of representatives no later than January 1, 2022. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 8; Title 9; Title 12; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 56 and Title 67. (SB279/HB353)
- Criminal Procedure As enacted, authorizes district attorney general to petition court for protective order prohibiting defendant and defendant's counsel from publishing certain information in certain circumstances; penalizes violation of such an order as Class E felony. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. (SB283/HB904)
- Medical Occupations As enacted, requires the University of Tennessee College of Medicine and the East Tennessee State University Quillen College of Medicine, in cooperation with the department of health and THEC, to administer certain residency opportunities; creates a resident training program to provide resident training opportunities for physicians focusing on family medicine and general internal medicine to provide medical and behavioral health services in medically underserved areas and rural counties, distributed across all three grand divisions of this state. Amends TCA Title 7; Title

- 33; Title 49; Title 63 and Title 68. (SB298/HB443)
- County Boundaries As enacted, alters the boundary between Davidson and Wilson counties in such manner as to detach certain parcels of real property currently located in Davidson County and to attach such parcels to Wilson County. (SB364/HB432)
- Local Education Agencies As enacted, requires an LEA to allocate prorated daily per pupil state and local funding to an out-of-state residential mental health facility if a student of the LEA is admitted to the facility and certain conditions are met. Amends TCA Title 49. (SB449/HB713)
- Child Abuse As enacted, makes it a Class A misdemeanor for a person to attempt to access or obtain confidential information from the department of children's services regarding alleged child abuse or neglect that the person knows is in violation of state or federal laws and regulations regarding confidentiality. Amends TCA Title 37. (SB476/HB1121)
- Taxes, Sales As enacted, extends provisions related to the apportionment and distribution of state tax revenue as they pertain to National Hockey League franchises until June 30, 2049. Amends TCA Title 67. (SB481/HB157)
- Taxes, Sales As enacted, creates a sales tax holiday for the retail sale of gun safes and gun safety devices if sold between 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2021, and 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2022. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6. (SB551/HB761)
- 593 Gaming As enacted, transfers all powers and duties regarding the Tennessee Sports Gaming Act to the sports wagering advisory council. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 14; Title 38; Title 39; Title 47; Title 49 and Title 67. (SB588/HB1267)
- Treasurer, State As enacted, authorizes the treasurer to establish a length of service award program for eligible employers to participate in a deferred compensation plan for bona fide volunteers. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 25, Part 1. (SB655/HB612)
- 595 Education As enacted, enacts the "K-12 Mental Health Trust Fund Act." Amends TCA Title 49. (SB739/HB73)

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 2

Constitutional Amendments – Proposes adding a provision establishing the right to work regardless of status of affiliation with any labor union or employee organization. [See Appendix "H"]

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 10

Constitutional Amendments – Proposes an amendment to the Constitution of Tennessee to provide for the exercise of powers and duties of the governor during disability. [See Appendix "H"]

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 80

Constitutional Amendments – Proposes an amendment to Article I, Section 33 of the Constitution of Tennessee removing the criminal punishment exception from slavery and involuntary servitude prohibition. [See Appendix "H"]

APPENDIX "A"

PARTICIPATION IN MIDDLE SCHOOL OR HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Public Chapter 40 requires, for the purposes of participation in a middle school or high school interscholastic athletic activity or event, that a student's gender be determined by the student's sex at the time of the student's birth, as indicated on the student's original birth certificate. If a birth certificate does not appear to be the student's original birth certificate or does not indicate the student's sex at birth, the student must provide other evidence to indicate the student's sex. The student or the student's parent or guardian must pay the cost associated with providing evidence.

Public Chapter 40 requires the state board of education, local boards of education, and governing bodies of public charter schools to adopt and enforce polices to ensure compliance with its provisions.

Public Chapter 40 does not apply to students in kindergarten through fourth grade.

Public Chapter 40 took effect March 26, 2021, and applies to the 2021-2022 school year and each school year thereafter.

APPENDIX "B"

FIREARMS

In 2021, the One Hundred Twelfth General Assembly passed several bills concerning firearms, two of which were of particular significance. Public Chapter 108 authorized permitless carry of handguns under certain circumstances. Public Chapter 540 prohibited certain disclosures of information concerning a person's status as the purchaser or owner of a firearm.

Public Chapter 108

Public Chapter 108 created an exception to the offense of unlawful carrying of a firearm, if a person meets certain age-related qualifications, lawfully possesses a handgun, and is in a place that the person has a right to be; and revised other firearm statutes, all as discussed below.

Under current law, it is generally an offense for a person who carries, with the intent to go armed, a firearm or a club. Public Chapter 108 added an exception to the application of this offense that a person is carrying, whether openly or concealed, a handgun and:

- (1) The person is at least 21 years of age, or is at least 18 years of age and has been honorably discharged from military service or is on active duty and has completed basic training;
 - (2) The person lawfully possesses the handgun; and
 - (3) The person is in a place where the person is lawfully present.

Under current law, the holder of a valid enhanced handgun carry permit or concealed handgun carry permit recognized in this state may, unless expressly prohibited by federal law, transport and store a firearm or firearm ammunition in the permit holder's motor vehicle while on or utilizing any public or private parking area if:

- (1) The permit holder's motor vehicle is parked in a location where it is permitted to be; and
- (2) The firearm or ammunition being transported or stored in the motor vehicle: is kept from ordinary observation if the permit holder is in the motor vehicle; or is kept from ordinary observation and locked within the trunk, glove box, or interior of the person's motor vehicle or a container securely affixed to such motor vehicle if the permit holder is not in the motor vehicle.

Public Chapter 108 extended the applicability of the above provisions to a person who lawfully carries a handgun pursuant to the provisions described above in (1)-(3).

Public Chapter 108 changes prior law so that a person who has been issued an enhanced handgun carry permit or a concealed handgun carry permit will only be required to physically carry the permit and display the permit to law enforcement upon demand if the person is carrying a handgun in a location or manner that would be prohibited if not for the person's status as an enhanced handgun carry permit or concealed handgun carry permit holder. Prior law required a permit holder to carry the permit any time that the person was carrying a handgun.

Under current law, theft of property or services is a Class A misdemeanor if the value of the property or services obtained is \$1,000 or less. Public Chapter 108 enhanced the penalty for the theft of a firearm so that it is a Class E felony if the property obtained is a firearm worth less than \$2,500. For firearms valued at \$2,500 or more, the current law penalty provisions will apply, all of which are felony offenses. Also, under prior law, theft of a firearm was punished by confinement for not less than 30 days in addition to any other penalty authorized by law. Public Chapter 108 increased the minimum period of confinement from 30 to 180 days.

Current law requires a court to consider certain enhancement factors when sentencing a person. Public Chapter 108 added as an enhancement factor the fact that the offense for which the person is being sentenced involved the theft of a firearm from a motor vehicle.

Public Chapter 108 provides that for the offenses listed below committed on or after July 1, 2021, there will be no release eligibility until the person has served 85 percent of the sentence imposed by the court, less sentence credits earned and retained. However, no sentence reduction credits may operate to reduce below 70 percent the percentage of sentence imposed by the court such person must serve before becoming release eligible. The offenses to which this provision applies are:

- (1) Unlawful possession of a firearm by a person convicted of a felony crime of violence, an attempt to commit a felony crime of violence, or a felony involving use of a deadly weapon;
 - (2) Unlawful possession of a firearm by a person convicted of a felony drug offense;
 - (3) Unlawful possession of a handgun by a person convicted of a felony; and

(4) Unlawfully providing a handgun to a juvenile or permitting a juvenile to possess a handgun.

Public Chapter 108 created a new offense whereby it is a Class B misdemeanor offense for a person who meets any of the following criteria to carry a firearm with the intent to go armed:

- (1) Has been convicted of stalking;
- (2) Has been convicted of DUI two or more times within the prior 10 years, or one time within the prior five years;
- (3) Has been adjudicated as a mental defective, judicially committed to or hospitalized in a mental institution, or had a court appoint a conservator for the person by reason of a mental defect; or
- (4) Is otherwise prohibited from possessing a firearm by federal law as it existed on January 1, 2021.

Public Chapter 108 took effect July 1, 2021.

Public Chapter 540

Public Chapter 540 enacted the "Firearms Information Privacy Protection Act" to make it a Class E felony offense (subject to certain exceptions) for any personnel, including elected and appointed officials, of this state, a local governmental entity, or a political subdivision of this state, when acting in the person's official capacity or disclosing information obtained in the person's official capacity, to intentionally disclose information that identifies another person as the purchaser or owner of a firearm, firearm ammunition, or firearm accessory for the purpose of:

- (1) Compiling or facilitating the compilation of a federal firearms registry or database; or
 - (2) The confiscation of firearms.

Public Chapter 540 also creates a cause of action whereby an individual may bring suit against a person who intentionally discloses information that the person knows or reasonably should know was unlawfully obtained and identifies the individual as the purchaser or owner of a firearm, firearm ammunition, or firearm accessory for purposes of

compiling or facilitating the compilation of a federal firearms registry or database or the confiscation of firearms. In any such action, the court may award the person whose information was disclosed:

- (1) A minimum of \$75,000 in statutory damages per intentional violation;
- (2) Actual damages;
- (3) Punitive damages;
- (4) Other forms of equitable relief; and
- (5) Reasonable costs and attorney fees.

Neither the Class E felony offense nor the private cause of action apply to information that is provided to a government entity pursuant to: present law concerning background checks for firearm purchases and issuance of authorization to carry a firearm; federal law, or as part of a criminal investigation.

Public Chapter 540 took effect July 1, 2021.

APPENDIX "C"

SCHOOL CURRICULUM

During the 2021 regular legislative session, the One Hundred Twelfth General Assembly passed several noteworthy pieces of legislation concerning school curriculum. Public Chapter 205 prohibits the use of textbooks and instructional materials created to align exclusively with the Common Core State Standards in Tennessee public schools. Public Chapter 281 requires parental notification when instruction on sexual orientation or gender identity curriculum is implemented in a Tennessee public school. In pertinent part, Public Chapter 493 prohibits certain instruction in public schools concerning race.

Public Chapter 205

Present law specifies that nothing in the provisions of law concerning textbooks and instructional materials prohibits the use of or applies to supplemental instructional materials. Effective July 1, 2021, Public Chapter 205 prohibits public school teachers and principals from using or permitting to be used in the person's school, whether as a supplement to the local education agencies ("LEA's") or school's adopted textbooks and instructional materials or otherwise, textbooks or instructional materials created to align exclusively with the Common Core State Standards or that are marketed or otherwise identified as common core textbooks or materials.

Public Chapter 205 requires the commissioner of education to withhold a portion of an LEA's state education finance funds if a teacher or principal employed by the LEA intentionally violates Public Chapter 205 by purposefully using, or permitting to be used, in the person's school, textbooks or instructional materials created to align exclusively with the Common Core State Standards or that are marketed or otherwise identified as common core textbooks or materials.

Public Chapter 205 also prohibits:

- (1) The state textbook and instructional materials quality commission from publishing a list of, or recommending that the state board of education approve for use in the public schools of this state, textbooks or instructional materials created to align exclusively with the Common Core State Standards or that are marketed or otherwise identified as common core textbooks or materials; and
- (2) The state board of education from approving, for use in the public schools of this state, textbooks or instructional materials created to align exclusively with the Common Core State Standards or that are marketed or otherwise identified as common core textbooks or materials.

Except as otherwise specified in this summary, the provisions of Public Chapter 205 took effect April 22, 2021.

Public Chapter 281

Public Chapter 281 requires that, not less than 30 days prior to commencing instruction of a sexual orientation curriculum or gender identity curriculum, regardless of whether the curriculum is offered as part of a family life program, sex education program, or

other program, each LEA or public charter school must notify the parent or guardian of each student who the LEA or charter school anticipates will be present for instruction in the curriculum that:

- (1) The LEA or charter school is providing a sexual orientation curriculum or gender identity curriculum; and
- (2) The parent or guardian may examine the instructional materials and confer with the student's instructor, school counselor, or principal, as designated by the LEA or public charter school, regarding any or all portions of the curriculum.

A parent or guardian who wishes to excuse the parent's or guardian's student from any portion of a sexual orientation curriculum or gender identity curriculum must submit a request in writing to the student's instructor, school counselor, or principal. A parent or guardian who wishes to excuse the parent's or guardian's student from all portions of a sexual orientation curriculum or gender identity curriculum must submit a request in writing to the student's principal. Public Chapter 281 prohibits LEAs and public charter schools from penalizing a student who is excused from any or all portions of a sexual orientation curriculum or gender identity curriculum for grading purposes if the excused student satisfactorily performs an alternative lesson that is assigned to the student.

Public Chapter 281 specifies that an LEA or public charter school is not required to notify a student's parent or guardian prior to a teacher, principal, or other school personnel:

- (1) Responding to a question from a student during class regarding sexual orientation or gender identity as it relates to any topic of instruction; or
- (2) Referring to the sexual orientation or gender identity of any historic person, group, or public figure, where the referral provides necessary context in relation to a topic of instruction.

Public Chapter 281 specifies that an LEA or public charter school is not required to provide a sexual orientation curriculum or gender identity curriculum.

Public Chapter 281 took effect May 3, 2021.

Public Chapter 493

Public Chapter 493 made various changes and additions to the laws concerning education. In particular to the subject of school curriculum, Public Chapter 493 prohibits an LEA or public charter school from including or promoting the following concepts as part of a course of instruction or in a curriculum or instructional program, or allowing teachers or other employees of the LEA or public charter school to use supplemental instructional materials that include or promote the following concepts:

- (1) One race or sex is inherently superior to another race or sex;
- (2) An individual, by virtue of the individual's race or sex, is inherently privileged, racist, sexist, or oppressive, whether consciously or subconsciously;
- (3) An individual should be discriminated against or receive adverse treatment because of the individual's race or sex;
 - (4) An individual's moral character is determined by the individual's race or sex;
- (5) An individual, by virtue of the individual's race or sex, bears responsibility for actions committed in the past by other members of the same race or sex;

- (6) An individual should feel discomfort, guilt, anguish, or another form of psychological distress solely because of the individual's race or sex;
- (7) A meritocracy is inherently racist or sexist, or designed by a particular race or sex to oppress members of another race or sex;
 - (8) This state or the United States is fundamentally or irredeemably racist or sexist;
 - (9) Promoting or advocating the violent overthrow of the United States government;
- (10) Promoting division between, or resentment of, a race, sex, religion, creed, nonviolent political affiliation, social class, or class of people;
- (11) Ascribing character traits, values, moral or ethical codes, privileges, or beliefs to a race or sex, or to an individual because of the individual's race or sex;
- (12) The rule of law does not exist, but instead is a series of power relationships and struggles among racial or other groups;
- (13) All Americans are not created equal and are not endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, including, life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; or
- (14) Governments should deny to any person within the government's jurisdiction the equal protection of the law.

Public Chapter 493 does not prohibit an LEA or public charter school from including, as part of a course of instruction or in a curriculum or instructional program, or from allowing teachers or other employees of the LEA or public charter school to use supplemental instructional materials that include:

- (1) The history of an ethnic group, as described in textbooks and instructional materials adopted in accordance with current law;
 - (2) The impartial discussion of controversial aspects of history;
- (3) The impartial instruction on the historical oppression of a particular group of people based on race, ethnicity, class, nationality, religion, or geographic region; or
 - (4) Historical documents relevant to (1) (3) that are permitted under present law.

If the commissioner of education finds that an LEA or public charter school knowingly violates Public Chapter 893, the commissioner is required to withhold state funds, in an amount determined by the commissioner, from the LEA or public charter school until the LEA or public charter school provides evidence to the commissioner that the LEA or public charter school is no longer in violation of Public Chapter 493.

Public Chapter 493 took effect May 25, 2021, and applies to the 2021-2022 school year and subsequent school years.

APPENDIX "D"

MEDICAL CANNABIS

The One Hundred Twelfth General Assembly passed a pair of bills concerning medical cannabis. Public Chapter 230 exempts from the criminal laws concerning marijuana any product approved as a prescription medication by the United States food and drug administration. Public Chapter 577 created a medical cannabis commission and expands an existing exemption for certain oils containing cannabidiol from the criminal laws concerning marijuana.

Public Chapter 230

Under prior law, any cannabidiol product approved as a prescription medication by the United States food and drug administration was excepted from the definition of "marijuana".

Public Chapter 230 made the exception applicable to any product approved as a prescription medication by the United States food and drug administration. Public Chapter 230 further requires that any such exempt product be designated, rescheduled, or deleted as a controlled substance on the state's schedule of controlled substances.

Public Chapter 230 took effect April 22, 2021.

Public Chapter 577

Medical Cannabis Commission

Public Chapter 577 created the medical cannabis commission to serve as a resource for the study of federal and state laws regarding medical cannabis and the preparation of legislation to establish an effective, patient-focused medical cannabis program in Tennessee upon the rescheduling or descheduling of marijuana from Schedule I of the federal Controlled Substances Act. The commission consists of nine members appointed as follows:

- (1) The speaker of the senate appoints three members, with at least one member being a physician and one member being a pharmacist;
- (2) The speaker of the house of representatives appoints three members, with at least one member being a physician and one member being a pharmacist; and
 - (3) The governor appoints three at-large members, with one from each grand division.

Public Chapter 577 requires all of the appointing authorities to strive to:

- (1) Ensure that the commission is composed of persons who are considered experts in the fields of health care, mental health, business, management, agriculture, or law enforcement and have demonstrated a commitment to integrity, ethics, and professionalism; and
- (2) Select persons who are diverse in race, color, sex, ethnicity, national origin, and age, as reflected in the population of this state

The initial terms for commission members are staggered and subsequent terms will all be four years.

Public Chapter 577 requires that commission members be at least 30 years of age and must have been residents of this state for at least two years preceding their appointment. A person who has an economic interest in a business enterprise devoted to medical cannabis, recreational cannabis, or hemp is ineligible for appointment to the commission. Public Chapter 577 prohibits a commission member from acquiring an economic interest in a business enterprise devoted to medical cannabis, recreational cannabis, or hemp during the member's term on the commission or within 12 months following the expiration of the member's term. The commission will take adverse action, which may include a denial or suspension of a medical cannabis license for up to two years, against a business enterprise devoted to medical cannabis that provides an economic interest to a commission member during the member's term or within 12 months following the expiration of the term.

The commission is domiciled in Nashville, and all commission meetings must be held in Nashville. Public Chapter 577 requires that the commission be impaneled and hold its first meeting no later than October 1, 2021, at which time, and annually thereafter, the members must elect a chair and other officers as the members deem necessary. The commission must meet at least once every two months prior to March 1, 2023. Beginning March 1, 2023, the commission may meet less frequently; however, the commission must set and hold regular meetings necessary for the commission to transact and perform its official duties and functions. Commission members will be reimbursed for travel expenses.

Five affirmative votes are required in order for the commission to adopt or report out a resolution or recommendation.

Public Chapter 577 requires the commission to appoint an executive director qualified by education and experience. The executive director must demonstrate knowledge and experience in the areas of public administration, public health, or law enforcement. The commission is required to fix the executive director's salary. The full text of Public Chapter 577 specifies the executive director's duties.

The commission is attached to the department of health for administrative matters relating to budgeting, audit, and other related items, and for additional administrative support, including the use of information technology systems, human resources support, and clerical assistance.

Public Chapter 577 requires the commission to adopt and implement a conflict of interest policy for its members.

Public Chapter 577 provides that in anticipation of a potential rescheduling or descheduling of marijuana from Schedule I of the federal Controlled Substances Act the commission must examine federal laws, the effectiveness of other states' laws and legislation, and laws and legislation in Tennessee relating to the medical use of cannabis, specifically considering issues relating to, among other things, patient qualification, the role of pharmacists in medical cannabis programs for recommending, prescribing, and dispensing medical cannabis, and licensing and regulation of facilities and providers of medical cannabis services. For purposes of facilitating patient reciprocity with other states, Public Chapter 577 requires the commission to prioritize the recommendations for the creation of a patient registration process or program that includes patients with a qualifying medical disease or condition recommended by the commission.

Public Chapter 577 requires the commission to prepare recommendations for how best to establish an effective, patient-focused medical cannabis program in this state and include proposed legislation in its recommendations, including provisions that create an independent and financially self-sufficient commission, to be governed by its appointed members, to administer the program. The commission must include with its recommendations regarding self-sufficiency a strategy for repaying the state general fund for appropriations it receives to establish the commission and any subsequent medical cannabis program. The commission must report its findings and recommendations to the general assembly relating to the medical use of cannabis in Tennessee. The report must be submitted in writing to the chief clerks of the senate and the house of representatives and the legislative librarian no later than January 1 of each year, beginning in 2022. The commission is subject to present law concerning governmental entity review and is scheduled for such review on June 30, 2023.

Cannabidiol Oil

Existing law excepts certain substances made from cannabis from the definition of marijuana. Among the exceptions is oil containing the substance cannabidiol, with less than 0.9 percent of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), if:

- (1) The bottle containing the oil is labeled by the manufacturer as containing cannabidiol in an amount less than 0.9 percent of THC; and
- (2) The person in possession of the oil retains proof of the legal order or recommendation from the issuing state and proof that the person or the person's immediate family member has been

diagnosed with intractable seizures or epilepsy by a medical doctor or doctor of osteopathic medicine who is licensed to practice medicine in the state of Tennessee.

Public Chapter 577 added a similar exception for oil containing the substance cannabidiol, with less than 0.9 percent of THC for use by a person with:

- (1) Alzheimer's disease;
- (2) Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS);
- (3) Cancer, when such disease is diagnosed as end stage or the treatment produces related wasting illness, recalcitrant nausea and vomiting, or pain;
 - (4) Inflammatory bowel disease, including Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis;
 - (5) Multiple sclerosis;
 - (6) Parkinson's disease;
- (7) Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS); or
 - (9) Sickle cell disease.

The exception created by Public Chapter 577 differs from the existing law exception for treatment oil used for persons with intractable seizures or epilepsy in that the label on oil used for persons with a condition identified in (1)-(9) must include the manufacturer's name and the expiration date, batch number or lot number, and THC concentration strength of the oil.

Public Chapter 577 took effect May 27, 2021.

APPENDIX "E"

CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM

The One Hundred Twelfth General Assembly passed several bills concerning criminal sentencing and incarceration. Of particular note, Public Chapter 409 addressed alternatives to incarceration and Public Chapter 410 enacted the "Reentry Success Act of 2021."

Public Chapter 409

Public Chapter 409 made various changes and additions to statutes concerning incarceration, as follows:

- (1) Under current law, violent offenders are ineligible to participate in a drug court treatment program. Under prior law, a person convicted of any offense in which force was used against the person of another was a violent offender. Public Chapter 409 changed the definition of "violent offender" so that a person convicted of a misdemeanor offense, other than domestic assault, that involved the use of force against the person of another, but that did not involve a firearm or dangerous weapon, or result in death or serious bodily injury, is eligible to participate in a drug court treatment program;
- (2) Current law imposes a minimum sentence of 30-days incarceration for a person convicted of simple possession or casual exchange of methamphetamine. The person may participate in a drug or recovery court that is certified by the department of mental health and substance abuse services and receive sentence credit for up to the full 30-day minimum sentence requirement. Public Chapter 409 added that any such offender may also participate in, and receive sentence credit for, participation in a licensed treatment program other than a certified drug or recovery court. Public Chapter 409 also established a requirement that for any such offender with clinical assessment results indicating the need to participate in a drug or recovery court or treatment program, the court strongly consider ordering service of the sentence through participation in a drug or recovery court or licensed treatment program instead of through confinement, unless the court determines the person is not suitable for, or otherwise ineligible to participate in, such a court or program;
- (3) Public Chapter 409 added a requirement that, when a magistrate orders a person released on recognizance or unsecured bond pending trial, then the magistrate must impose the least restrictive conditions of release that will reasonably ensure the person's appearance and the safety of the community;
- (4) Public Chapter 409 revised the criteria that a magistrate must consider when deciding whether to order a person released on recognizance or unsecured bond pending trial, and when determining the conditions of such release. Most significantly, Public Chapter 409 added a requirement that the magistrate consider any available results of any validated pretrial risk assessment conducted regarding the defendant for use in the

jurisdiction. Public Chapter 409 maintained the prior law requirement that the magistrate consider the defendant's financial resources, but made all of the additional considerations permissive rather than mandatory;

- (5) Public Chapter 409 added a requirement that a person charged only for driving on a revoked or suspended license whose driving privilege was suspended or revoked solely because of a failure to pay litigation taxes, court costs, or fines, and who does not have a prior conviction for failure to appear within the previous 10 years, must be ordered released pending trial on the person's personal recognizance or an unsecured appearance bond;
- (6) Public Chapter 409 specifically authorizes judges to order a defendant who is eligible for a sentencing alternative to participate in a day reporting center program, a recovery and treatment program, or another appropriate community-based program. Under Public Chapter 409, a defendant may be ordered to participate in a recovery and treatment program only if such a program is indicated by the results of a clinical assessment;
- (7) Public Chapter 409 requires courts to strongly consider sentencing alternatives for persons with behavioral health needs or chemical dependence;
- (8) Public Chapter 409 added to the eligibility requirements for punishment under the Tennessee Community Corrections Act of 1985 that the offender is not a sexual offender or violent sexual offender;
- (9) Public Chapter 409 revised the purposes of the Tennessee Community Corrections Act of 1985 to, among other things, establish a mechanism for using state funds to contract with local governments and qualified private entities to develop community-based alternatives to incarceration that provide a treatment-centered pathway for offenders, thereby reserving state penal institution, local jail, or workhouse bed space for other offenders;
- (10) Public Chapter 409 removed, as a goal of the Tennessee Community Corrections Act of 1985, filling gaps in the local correctional system through the development of a range of sanctions and services available for the judge at sentencing;
- (11) Public Chapter 409 expanded authorization for the department of correction to evaluate funding recipients under the Tennessee Community Corrections Act of 1985, so that the evaluations may ensure accountability and measure the efficiency of the community-based alternatives to incarceration conducted under the Act. The form and methods of the evaluations must be determined by the department of correction. Public Chapter 409 requires funding recipients to substantially comply with the department's standards and administrative regulations defining the effectiveness of a community-based alternative to incarceration and maintain, collect, and provide to the department, annually or as otherwise requested, any information required by the department for evaluation;

- (12) Public Chapter 409 reduced the membership of the sex offender treatment board from 13 to 12, removing the member of a community corrections advisory board appointed by the commissioner of correction;
- (13) Public Chapter 409 specifies that a court may include in the terms for an offender's supervised probation participation in a day reporting center program, recovery and treatment program, or another appropriate community-based program;
- (14) Public Chapter 409 specifies that a court may resentence a person to probation, including participation in a community-based alternative to incarceration when the person's suspension of a sentence or probation is revoked;
- (15) Public Chapter 409 capped the duration of a sentence to probation at eight years for a single conviction, including cases where a period of probation is imposed after a period of confinement. If the court imposes a period of probation for more than one conviction, then the total period of probation is capped at 10 years;
- (16) Under prior law, at the conclusion of a probation revocation hearing, the court was authorized to extend a defendant's period of probation supervision for any period not in excess of two years. Public Chapter 409 limits the time that probation may be extended to one year per each determination of a probation violation and specifies findings that a court must make to support any such extension;
- (17) Public Chapter 409 authorizes a judge who reinstates a suspended sentence to reduce the original judgment by the amount of time the defendant has successfully served on probation and suspension of sentence prior to the violation or a portion of that amount of time;
- (18) Public Chapter 409 prohibits a judge from revoking probation based upon one instance of technical violation or violations. Public Chapter 409 defined "technical violation" to mean an act that violates the terms or conditions of probation but does not constitute a new felony, new Class A misdemeanor, zero tolerance violation as defined by the department of correction community supervision sanction matrix, or absconding; and
- (19) Public Chapter 409 limits the duration of incarceration that a judge may impose for a second or subsequent technical violation of probation to: up to 15 days for the first revocation; up to 30 days for the second revocation; up to 90 days for the third revocation; or one year or the remainder of the sentence, whichever is shorter, for a fourth or subsequent revocation. These limits do not prohibit a judge from resentencing a defendant who commits a technical violation of probation to a sentence of probation that includes the condition of participating in a community-based alternative to incarceration.

Public Chapter 409 took effect July 1, 2021.

Public Chapter 410

Public Chapter 410 enacted the Reentry Success Act of 2021 to revise various provisions of law regarding the release or preparation of release of a person from incarceration, such as provisions governing probation and parole, restoration of citizenship, and programming provided by correctional facilities, as follows:

- (1) Open Parole Hearings Act: Existing law requires the board of parole to establish a policy governing attendance at board hearings and submission and use of victim impact statements. Public Chapter 410 added that the policy must also address the submission and use of other impact statements and that the policy must govern instructions for submitting an impact statement video. Public Chapter 410 requires the board to establish a digital function that a victim or other impacted person may use to electronically submit an impact statement video to be considered at an inmate's parole hearing or parole revocation. Public Chapter 410 sets out in detail more requirements for such a function, including the method for the submitter to have the video considered at any other future hearings. Public Chapter 410 provides for the confidentiality of impact statement videos in the same manner as written statements. Public Chapter 410 also clarifies for the purposes of the Open Parole Hearings Act that "victim" includes victims and victim representatives. The provisions of Public Chapter 410 requiring the establishment of a digital function for electronically submitting an impact statement took effect May 12, 2021. All other provisions of Public Chapter 410 described in this subdivision (1) take effect January 1, 2022;
- (2) Driver license application fees: Present law generally imposes a \$2.00 application fee for driver licenses. Prior law imposed a \$65.00 application fee under the provisions of law whereby a person whose license is revoked for failure to make payments on a payment plan for court fines, costs, and taxes may apply for a restricted driver license. Effective July 1, 2021, Public Chapter 410 exempted such applicants for a restricted license from the \$2.00 application fee and deleted the \$65.00 fee;
- (3) Parole eligibility: Under prior law, if the board of parole declines, revokes, or rescinds parole, the board is authorized to set the period of time before the prisoner receives another hearing on the same offense or offenses, which may be up to 10 years. Effective July 1, 2021, Public Chapter 410 decreased the authorized maximum amount of time between hearings from 10 years to six years, unless the prisoner is serving a sentence for multiple convictions for first degree murder or facilitation of first degree murder, in which case the maximum allowable amount of time between hearings remains 10 years;
- (4) Conditions of parole: Present law generally authorizes the board of parole to impose any conditions and limitations on the granting of parole that the board deems necessary. Effective July 1, 2021, Public Chapter 410 prohibits the board from requiring a condition or limitation to be completed prior to release on parole unless the department of correction recommends completion of the condition or limitation prior to release on parole;

- (5) Incarceration for parole violation: Generally, under prior law, when a parolee violated a condition of parole, the board could require the prisoner to serve out in prison the balance of the maximum term for which the prisoner was originally sentenced, calculated from the date of delinquency or such part thereof, as it determined, or impose the punishment it deemed proper. Effective July 1, 2021, Public Chapter 410 revised such provision to instead provide that the board may do the following:
- (A) For a revocation of parole that does not involve a new felony, new Class A misdemeanor, zero tolerance violation as defined by the department of correction community supervision sanction matrix, or absconding, require the prisoner to serve a term of incarceration not to exceed: 15 days for the first revocation; 30 days for the second revocation; 90 days for the third revocation; or the remainder of the prisoner's sentence for a fourth or subsequent revocation; or
- (B) For a revocation of parole that involves a new felony, new Class A misdemeanor, zero tolerance violation as defined by the department of correction community supervision sanction matrix, or absconding, require the prisoner to serve out in prison the balance of the maximum term for which the prisoner was originally sentenced, calculated from the date of delinquency, or such part thereof, as it may determine, or impose a punishment as the board deems proper;
- (6) Granting of parole: Generally under present law, the board will not grant parole if: there is a substantial risk that the defendant will not conform to the conditions of the release program; the release from custody at the time would depreciate the seriousness of the crime of which the defendant stands convicted or promote disrespect for the law; the release from custody at the time would have a substantially adverse effect on institutional discipline; or the defendant's continued correctional treatment, medical care or vocational or other training in the institution will substantially enhance the defendant's capacity to lead a law-abiding life when given release status at a later time. Notwithstanding this present law provision, effective July 1, 2021, Public Chapter 410 added a presumption that an eligible inmate must be released on parole, except for good cause shown, upon the inmate reaching the inmate's release eligibility date or any subsequent parole hearing. For purposes of this presumption, an "eligible inmate" means an inmate who:
- (A) Is currently serving a sentence for: a Class E or Class D felony offense; or a felony that is not classified as a violent offense;
- (B) Is determined to be low risk to reoffend or most appropriately supervised in the community under the most recent validated risk and needs assessment;
- (C) Has successfully completed the programming recommended by the department of correction based on a validated risk and needs assessment, or can complete any recommended programming while on parole supervision;

- (D) Has not received a Class A or Class B disciplinary offense under department of correction policy within one year of the inmate's parole hearing; and
 - (E) Has not been convicted of a sexual offense or violent sexual offense.

Public Chapter 410 requires the board to state in writing the reason for declining parole and how the inmate can improve the inmate's chance of being released on parole in the future. Public Chapter 410 also specifies that the board's finding under present law that the release from custody at the time would depreciate the seriousness of the crime of which the defendant stands convicted or promote disrespect for the law may not be the sole basis for denying parole unless the individual is serving a sentence for first degree murder or an attempt to commit, solicitation of, or facilitation of first degree murder; second degree murder or an attempt to commit or facilitation of second degree murder; voluntary manslaughter; aggravated vehicular homicide; vehicular homicide; especially aggravated kidnapping or an attempt to commit or facilitation of especially aggravated kidnapping; trafficking for a commercial sex act; a human trafficking offense; advertising commercial sexual abuse of a minor; especially aggravated robbery or an attempt to commit or facilitation of especially aggravated robbery; aggravated rape of a child or an attempt to commit or facilitation of aggravated rape of a child; aggravated rape or an attempt to commit or facilitation of aggravated rape; rape of a child or an attempt to commit or facilitation of rape of a child; rape; aggravated sexual battery; especially aggravated burglary; aggravated child abuse; aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor; especially aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor; aggravated vehicular assault; aggravated abuse of an elderly or vulnerable adult; or vehicular assault. Public Chapter 410 added a requirement that, if the board denies parole for seriousness of the offense, then the board must state in writing how the inmate can improve the inmate's chances of being released on parole at the inmate's next hearing. Public Chapter 410 deleted prior law authorization for the board to deny parole to an inmate who has made no attempt to improve educational, vocational, or employment skills while incarcerated;

- (7) Mandatory reentry supervision: Effective July 1, 2021, Public Chapter 410:
- (A) Requires that an eligible inmate be released on mandatory reentry supervision one year prior to the inmate's sentence expiration date as calculated by the department of correction or, if the inmate is not eligible for parole one year prior to the inmate's sentence expiration date, upon reaching the inmate's release eligibility date. Upon release, an eligible inmate is subject to mandatory reentry supervision until the inmate's sentence expiration date. The release must be under the terms and conditions established by the department of correction. The department will determine whether an inmate is an eligible inmate;
- (B) For purposes of the reentry supervision, defines "eligible inmate" as an inmate who: is serving a felony sentence for an offense that occurred on or after July 1, 2021; is eligible for parole consideration; has one year or less remaining until expiration of all

sentences that the inmate is serving or set to serve or reaches the inmate's release eligibility date with less than one year remaining until expiration; does not have an active detainer for new or untried charges or sentences to serve in other jurisdictions; has not been classified as maximum or close custody for disciplinary reasons in the previous two years; and if the inmate has previously had the inmate's probation or parole revoked, has served at least six months since returning to custody after revocation of probation or parole; and

- (C) Provides that upon expiration of a sentence of confinement for a person who is not an eligible inmate, the inmate must be released and subject to mandatory reentry supervision for a period of one year following the inmate's sentence expiration date under conditions to be prescribed by the department of correction. Noncriminal, technical violations of supervision conditions by ineligible inmates will not result in revocation of supervision or incarceration. The mandatory reentry supervision period must be calculated by the department of correction;
- (8) Notice of potential for reentry supervision in court orders: Public Chapter 410 requires a court, when the court accepts a plea of guilty or nolo contendere or imposes a sentence for a defendant who has been convicted of a felony offense that occurred on or after July 1, 2021, to specify in its order that the defendant may be subject to an additional year of mandatory reentry supervision if, at the time of release, the defendant is not an eligible inmate as defined in (7)(B);
- (9) Limitation of liability for employers: Public Chapter 410 generally bars lawsuits against an employer or contracting party for negligent hiring, training, retention, or supervision of an employee or independent contractor based solely upon the fact that the employee or independent contractor has been previously convicted of a criminal offense. Also, in a cause of action against an employer or contracting party for negligent hiring, training, retention, or supervision of an employee or independent contractor, evidence that the employee or independent contractor has been previously convicted of a criminal offense is not admissible. These provisions do not apply when:
- (A) The employer or contracting party knew or reasonably should have known of the employee's or independent contractor's prior conviction; and the employee or independent contractor was previously convicted of: an offense that was committed while performing duties substantially similar to those reasonably expected to be performed in the employment or under the contract, or under conditions substantially similar to those reasonably expected to be encountered in the employment or under the contract; or a violent offense or a violent sexual offense; or
- (B) The cause of action concerns the misuse by an employee or independent contractor of the funds or property of a person other than the employer or contracting party; on the date the employee or independent contractor was hired, the employee or independent contractor had been previously convicted of an offense an element of which includes fraud or the misuse of funds or property; and the employer or contracting party should have reasonably foreseen that the position for which the employee or independent contractor was

being hired would involve managing the funds or property of a person other than the employer or contracting party;

- (10) Stipend to eligible counties and re-entry programs: The County Correctional Incentives Act of 1981 generally requires that counties be reimbursed for housing convicted felons and authorizes the commissioner of correction to compensate any county that has not contracted with the state for that county's reasonable, allowable cost of housing felons. Effective October 1, 2021, Public Chapter 410 adds that, in addition to such reimbursement or compensation, the department must pay an accreditation stipend to eligible counties for each convicted felon housed by the county for which the county receives reimbursement or compensation. To receive the stipend, a county must, among other things, administer a validated risk-needs assessment to each felony offender within 45 days of the felon's admission to the county facility and such offender, if in good behavioral standing, must be eligible to participate in evidence-based programming that is matched to the offender's risks and needs and are not required to participate in programs not indicated as needed by the evidence-based risk and needs assessment. The full text of Public Chapter 410 sets out in detail other requirements and procedures for the stipend, which include, but are not limited to, the following:
- (A) The amount of the accreditation stipend, which is in addition to the amount set annually in the appropriations act for each convicted felon housed by the county for which the county receives reimbursement or compensation, will be: \$3.00 per day for each convicted felon housed by the county for which the county receives reimbursement or compensation, if the county has achieved tier 1 accreditation from the Tennessee corrections institute; and \$6.00 per day for each convicted felon housed by the county for which the county receives reimbursement or compensation, if the county has achieved tier 2 accreditation from the Tennessee corrections institute;
- (B) In order to maintain the accreditation stipend, an eligible county must provide annual documentation to the department that a satisfactory percentage of the felons who enroll in the evidence-based programming complete the programming in a timely manner, as determined by the department based on the historical completion outcomes for the particular programming;
- (C) After an accreditation stipend has been paid to a county for three years, the department must annually review the recidivism rates of felons housed in that county to determine whether the implementation of the programming has been effective in reducing recidivism rates. If the evidence-based programming at issue does not impact the recidivism rate by a satisfactory percentage, as determined by the department based upon the length of time that the programming has been utilized and the program's historical outcomes, the department may require that the county develop a corrective action plan that is satisfactory to the department in order to continue receiving the accreditation stipend;
- (D) A county must not prohibit the county's misdemeanor offender population from participating in evidence-based programming when programming capacity remains

following the enrollment of felony offenders whose risks and needs correspond to the programming. The state is not responsible for any costs of incarceration or programming for misdemeanor offenders. However, misdemeanor offenders may utilize evidence-based programming capacity that has been paid for using the accreditation stipend; and

- (E) Public Chapter 410 authorizes Tennessee's community colleges and colleges of applied technology to assist counties with the development of evidence-based programming for felons housed by counties. Public Chapter 410 also authorizes counties to work with the department of correction and the board of regents to develop and implement such programming;
- (11) Inspection and accreditation: Public Chapter 410 requires the corrections institute to inspect local jails, lock-ups, and workhouses to determine whether a county merits tier 1 or tier 2 accreditation by the Tennessee corrections institute and report such determinations to the department of correction;
- (12) Contracts for educational and workforce programs: Public Chapter 410 authorizes each board of regents' institution to contract and partner with local governments for the purpose of providing educational and workforce development programs to assist with reducing recidivism rates of criminal offenders held in local correctional facilities and improving opportunities for successful reentry upon release from incarceration. Public Chapter 410 also authorizes the board of regents to contract with any sheriff's department or other official or department charged with oversight of a county jail, lock-up, or workhouse for the purpose of developing reentry programs to effectively reduce the recidivism rate of criminal offenders and increase the likelihood of successful reintegration into society following release of individuals from incarceration; and
- (13) Licensure denial based on criminal history: Under current law, in considering whether to deny an application for a license, certificate, or registration to an applicant, or whether to refuse to renew a license, certificate, or registration, on the basis of a criminal conviction, the licensing authority must consider certain factors. Public Chapter 410 revised those factors by removing the requirements that the authority consider "the nature and seriousness of the crime for which the individual was convicted" and "the length of time since the commission of the crime."

Except as otherwise specified in this summary, the provisions of Public Chapter 410 took effect May 12, 2021.

APPENDIX "F"

THREE-JUDGE PANELS

Public Chapter 566 established a new process for adjudicating certain litigation involving questions of constitutional interpretation.

Public Chapter 566 requires that a civil action in which the complaint meets each of the following criteria must be heard and determined by a three-judge panel:

- (1) Challenges the constitutionality of a state statute (including a law statute that apportions or redistricts state legislative or congressional districts), an executive order, or an administrative rule;
 - (2) Includes a claim for declaratory judgment or injunctive relief; and
- (3) Is brought against the state, a state department or agency, or a state official acting in their official capacity.

When an action described in (1)-(3) is filed, Public Chapter 566 requires the plaintiff to notify the presiding judge of the judicial district, who is required to notify the supreme court. The supreme court is required to select two trial court judges of courts of record to sit with the judge to whom the civil action was originally assigned as a three-judge panel to hear and decide the civil action. Each judge on a three-judge panel must be from a different grand division of the state than the other two judges. The supreme court will designate one member of the panel to serve as the chief judge. In the event of a disagreement among the three judges comprising the panel, the majority prevails. The full text of Public Chapter 566 addresses procedural requirements for the panel, such as replacement of disqualified judges and court rules. The three-judge panel will sit in the supreme court building in the grand division in which the civil action was filed, unless a location is otherwise designated by the supreme court.

The venue for a civil action described in (1)-(3) is the county where the plaintiff who is a party to the action resides. If the plaintiff is not a Tennessee resident, then venue for the civil action is in Sumner County.

Public Chapter 566 specifies that its provisions do not create a cause of action independent of existing Tennessee or federal law and do not waive the defense of sovereign immunity where that defense applies. Public Chapter 566 further specifies that its provisions do not affect the procedures and remedies for disputed taxes; provided, however,

that a tax dispute that meets the requirements of (1)-(3) must be heard by a three-judge panel.

Except for challenges to apportionment or redistricting plans, Public Chapter 566 vests jurisdiction over appeals from the decisions of a three-judge panel with the court of appeals.

In any challenge to an apportionment or redistricting plan, Public Chapter 566 prohibits the supreme court or a three-judge panel from imposing a substitute plan for a plan enacted by the general assembly apportioning or redistricting state legislative or congressional districts unless the court first gives the general assembly at least 15 days to remedy any defects in the plan. If the general assembly does not enact a new plan within the period of time set by the court, then the court may impose an interim districting plan for use only in the next election cycle, provided the interim districting plan differs from the districting plan enacted by the general assembly only to the extent necessary to remedy any defects identified by the court. An appeal of a challenge to an apportionment or redistricting plan must be made directly to the supreme court.

Public Chapter 566 took effect July 1, 2021.

APPENDIX "G"

MISCELLANEOUS

The One Hundred Twelfth General Assembly passed a number of bills covering a wide array of subjects during its 2021 legislative session. Among the noteworthy legislation passed in 2021 were the designation of Juneteenth, establishment of the David Crockett commission, an increase in the homestead exemption, changes to the General Assembly's authority to stay the effect of administrative rules, and the repeal of the Locksmith Licensing Act of 2006.

Public Chapter 89

Public Chapter 89 designates June 19 of each year to be observed as "Juneteenth" to honor and recognize the celebration of the action of Major General Gordon Granger in Galveston, Texas, who on June 19, 1865, two and one-half years after the Emancipation Proclamation took effect, announced to the people of Texas, the last territory to receive news of the proclamation due to its geographic and strategic isolation, that "all slaves are free." Public Chapter 89 took effect April 7, 2021.

Public Chapter 175

Current law establishes the David Crockett commission to identify ways and means and raise the necessary funds to erect a monument or statue honoring David Crockett on the grounds of the state capitol. The David Crockett commission is required to consult with the state capitol commission relative to all aspects of the monument or statue honoring David Crockett, and the state capitol commission must give final approval of the design of such monument or statue prior to its erection.

Public Chapter 175 added a requirement that, once the design of the monument or statue honoring David Crockett is approved by the state capitol commission and the monument or statue is completed, the monument or statue must be placed on a pedestal above the entrance to the Motlow Tunnel on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. If relocation of an existing structure is required, Public Chapter 175 further requires that private funds are to be used for the relocation, and state funds are not to be expended for the relocation of an existing structure. Public Chapter 175 took effect April 20, 2021.

Public Chapter 301

Current law establishes a homestead exemption on real property that is owned by an individual and used by the individual or the individual's spouse or dependent, as a principal place of residence. The homestead exemption is not subject to execution, attachment, or sale under legal proceedings during the life of the individual who holds the exemption. The amount of the exemption is as follows:

- (1) \$5,000 for an individual;
- (2) \$7,500 for individuals who jointly own and use real property as their principal place of residence;
 - (3) \$12,500 for an unmarried individual who is 62 years of age or older;

- (4) \$20,000 for a married couple, one of whom is 62 years of age or older and the other of whom is younger than 62 years of age;
 - (5) \$25,000 for a married couple, both of whom are 62 years of age or older; and
- (6) \$25,000 for an individual who has one or more minor children in the individual's custody.

Public Chapter 301 sets the homestead exemption at \$35,000 for all persons described in (1)-(6). Public Chapter 301 takes effect January 1, 2022.

Public Chapter 532

Under existing law, a rule does not become effective until 90 days after the filing of such rule in the office of the secretary of state. Prior to the effective date of a rule, the house of representatives or senate government operations committee may stay the running of the 90-day period, for a period of time not to exceed 75 days. Public Chapter 532 extended the time period that rule may be stayed from 75 days to 90 days and added that if both committees acting jointly determine that subsequent stays are necessary the committees may issue consecutive stays, each for an additional 90-day period, so long as such stays do not extend beyond the fifth legislative day of the year following the year in which the rule is filed with the office of the secretary of state. Public Chapter 532 took effect May 25, 2021.

Public Chapter 572

Public Chapter 572 repealed the Locksmith Licensing Act of 2006, thereby permitting persons to engage in the business and occupation of locksmithing in Tennessee without the necessity of obtaining a registration or license from the commissioner of commerce and insurance. In deregulating the occupation of locksmithing, Public Chapter 572 removed various statutory requirements for the occupation such as passing an examination in order to obtain a license, maintaining certain amounts of liability insurance, and including a license in advertising. Public Chapter 570 took effect May 27, 2021.

APPENDIX "H"

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

During its 2021 legislative session, the 112th General Assembly adopted three joint resolutions that propose to amend the Constitution of Tennessee. Senate Joint Resolutions 2, 10, and 80 were adopted by the 111th General Assembly and referred to the 112th General Assembly for further consideration. Having been approved by a two-thirds majority in the 2021 legislative session, pursuant to Article XI, Section 3 of the state constitution, the proposed constitutional amendments must be favorably approved by the voters in the 2022 general election.

Senate Joint Resolution 2

Senate Joint Resolution 2 proposes to add to Article XI of the state constitution a provision establishing a right to work regardless of status of affiliation with any labor union or employee organization. The amendatory language would provide that it is unlawful for any person, corporation, association, or this state or its political subdivisions to deny or attempt to deny employment to any person by reason of the person's membership in, affiliation with, resignation from, or refusal to join or affiliate with a labor union or employee organization.

Senate Joint Resolution 10

Senate Joint Resolution 10 proposes to amend the state constitution to provide for the exercise of powers and duties of the governor during disability, as follows:

- (1) Article III, Section 12 of the state constitution currently provides that, in case of the Governor's removal from office, death, or resignation, the powers and duties of the office devolve first to the Speaker of the Senate and next to the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Senate Joint Resolution 10 proposes to add the following:
- (A) Whenever the Governor transmits to the Secretary of State and both Speakers, a written, signed declaration that the Governor is unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office, the powers and duties of the office of the Governor must be temporarily discharged by the Speaker of the Senate as Acting Governor, or if that office is unoccupied, then by the Speaker of the House of Representatives as Acting Governor, until the Governor transmits to the same officials a written, signed declaration that the Governor is able to discharge the powers and duties of the office;
- (B) Whenever a majority of the commissioners of departments of state government in the executive branch of government transmit to the Secretary of State and both Speakers their written, signed declaration that the Governor is unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office, the Speaker of the Senate must immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting Governor, or if that office is unoccupied, then the Speaker of the House of Representatives must immediately assume the powers and duties of the office

as Acting Governor, until the Governor transmits to the same officials a written, signed declaration that the Governor is able to discharge the powers and duties of the office; and

- (C) Whenever a Speaker is temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the office of Governor as Acting Governor, such Speaker cannot be required to resign as Speaker or as a member of the general assembly and must retain the Speaker's salary and not receive the Governor's salary, but such Speaker cannot preside as Speaker or vote as a member of the general assembly during the time the Speaker is Acting Governor;
- (2) Article III, Section 13 of the state constitution prohibits federal and state officeholders from executing the office of the Governor. Senate Joint Resolution 10 proposes to make an exception to such provision with regard to a Speaker who is temporarily discharging the power and duties of the office of Governor as Acting Governor; and
- (3) Article II, Section 26 of the state constitution prohibits certain individuals from holding a seat in the General Assembly and certain individuals from holding more than one lucrative office at the same time. Senate Joint Resolution 10 proposes to add that such prohibition does not apply with regard to a Speaker who is temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the office of Governor as Acting Governor.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 80

Senate Joint Resolution 80 proposes to amend the state constitution by removing the criminal punishment exception from the prohibition against slavery and involuntary servitude. Article I, Section 33 of the state constitution currently provides that slavery and involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party must have been duly convicted, are forever prohibited in this state. Senate Joint Resolution 80 proposes to replace such provision and instead provide that slavery and involuntary servitude are forever prohibited, and nothing in such provision prohibits an inmate from working when the inmate has been duly convicted of a crime.